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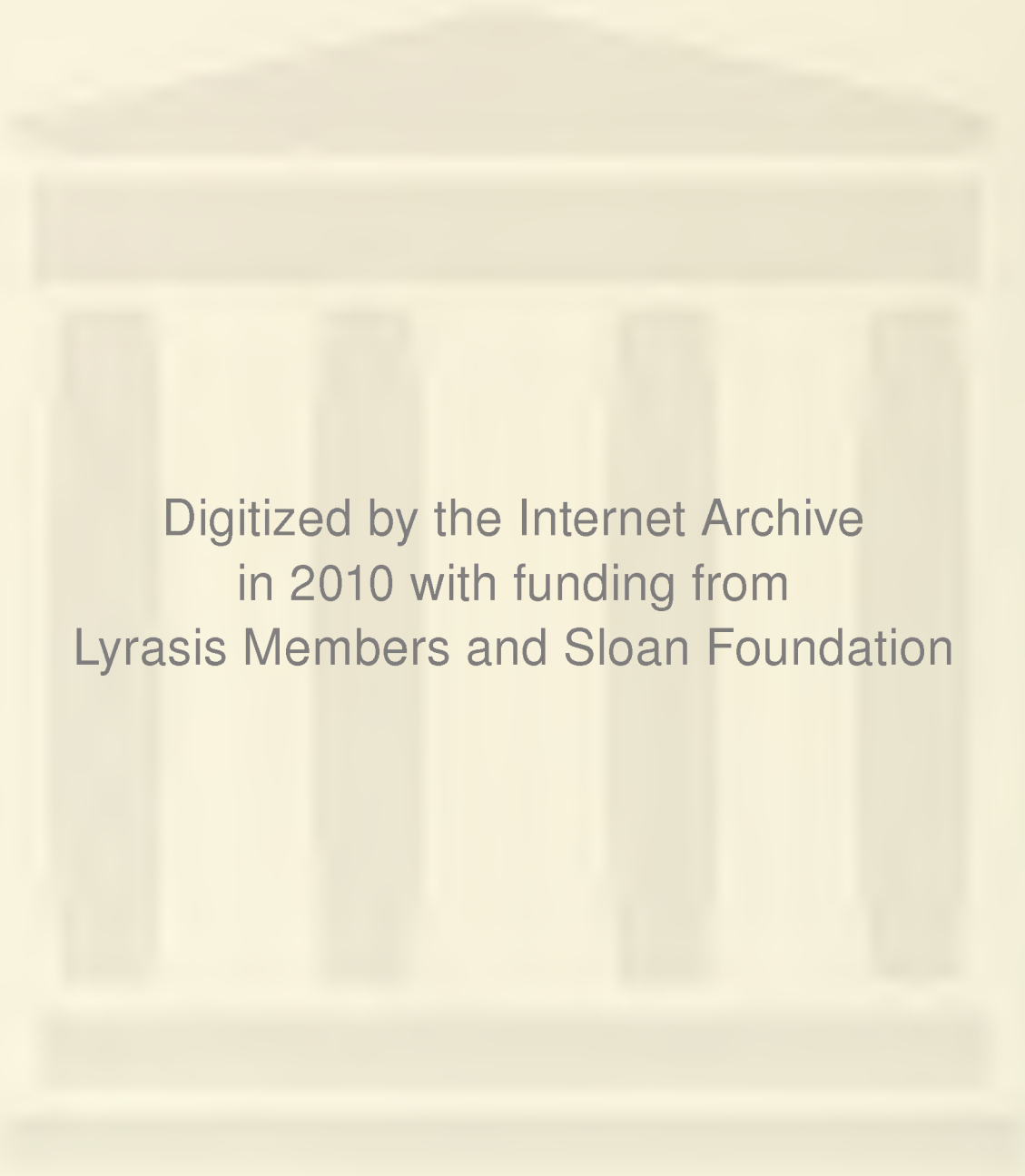

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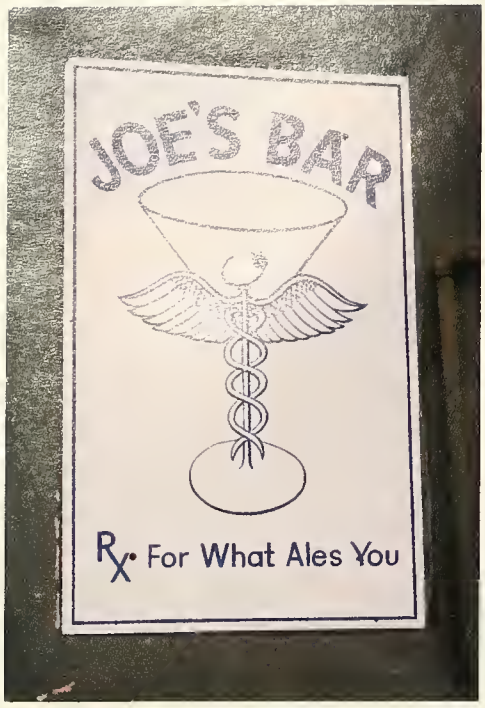
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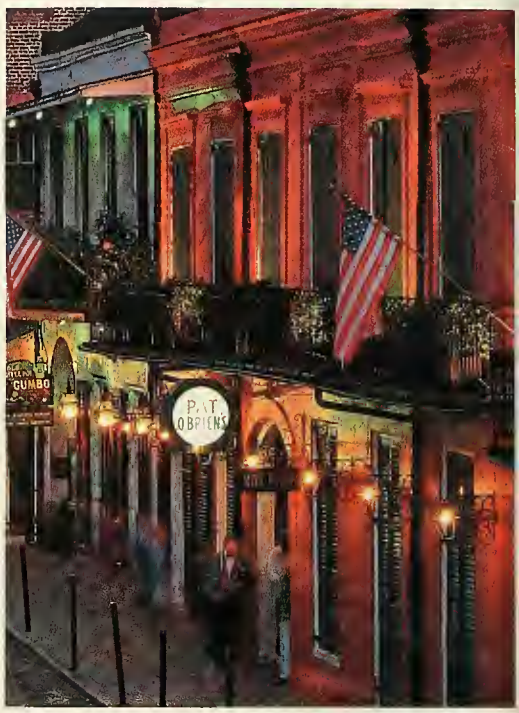
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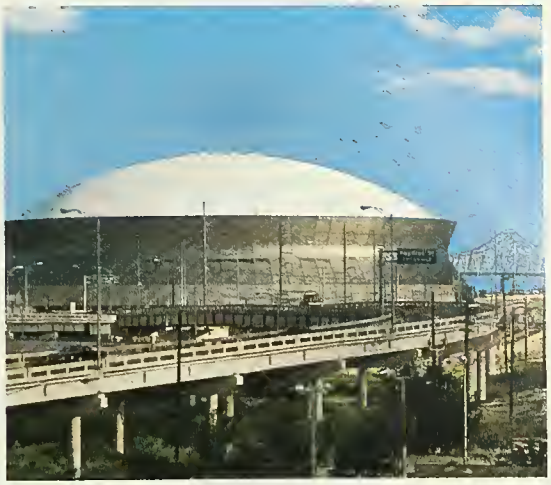
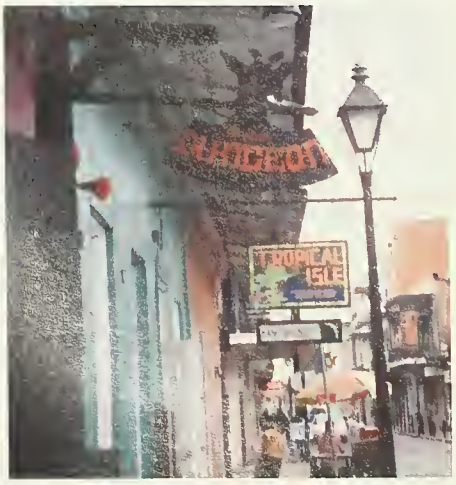




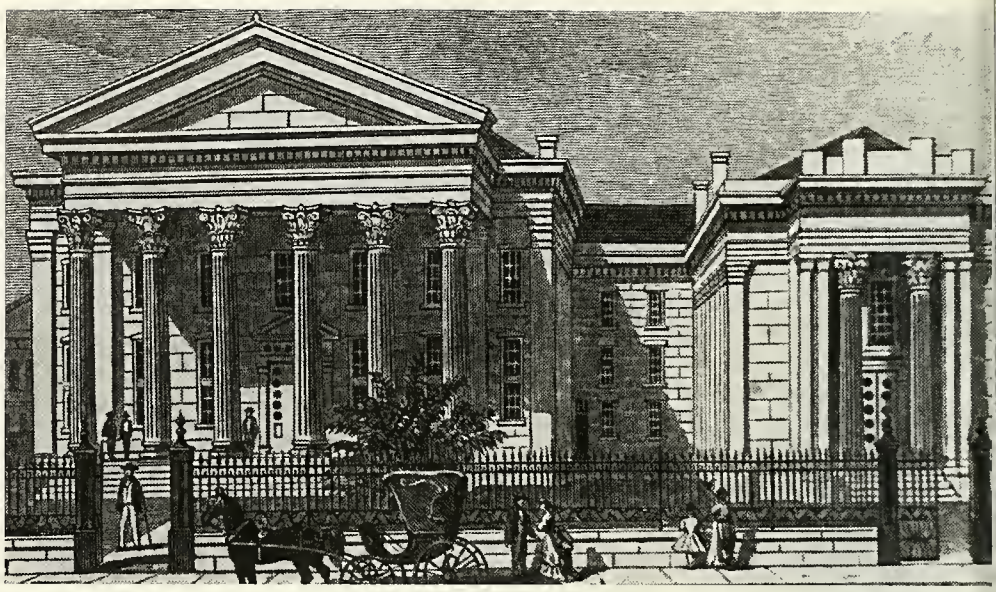
Sights in the Big Easy

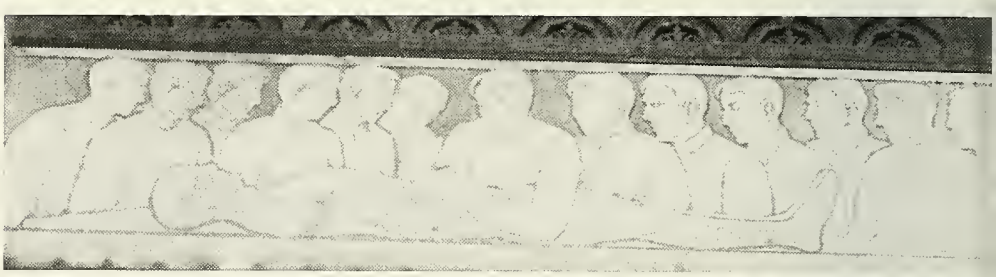
Tulane Medical School

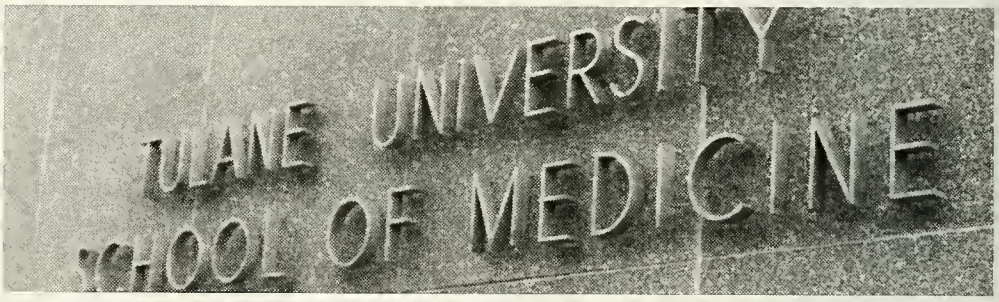
The Tulane University School of Medicine began as the Medical College of Louisiana in September 1834, as three brash young physicians initiated medical education in Louisiana. Establishment of the school was met with considerable opposition from the Creoles, whose European ideas concerning medical education stressed academics well grounded in the Latin and Greek classics. Nonetheless, when the Medical College opened its doors in January 1835, it became the first medical school in the Deep South, and the fifteenth in the country.

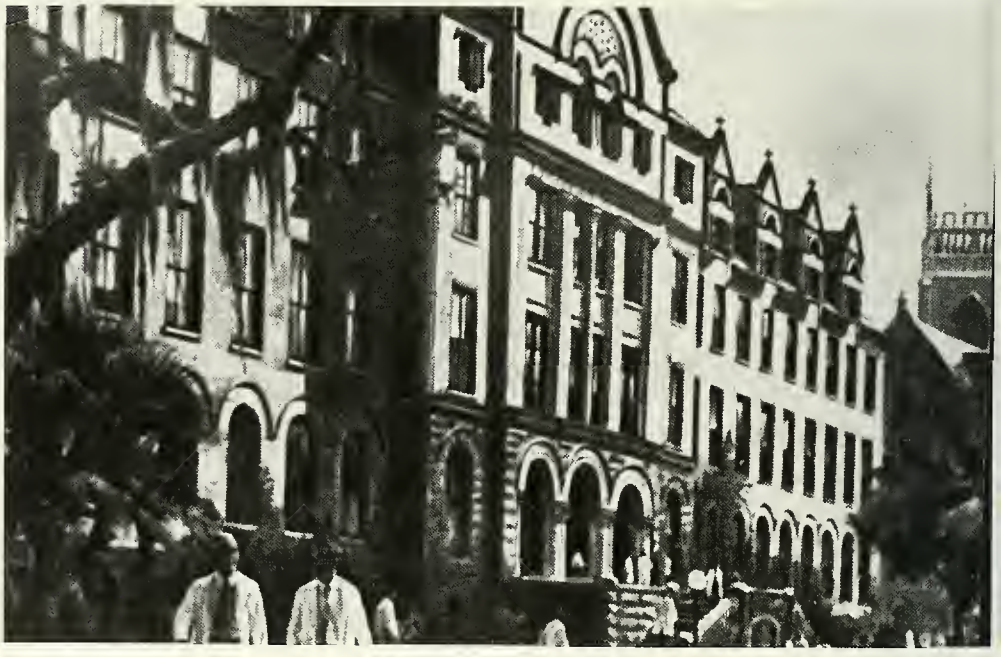
There were only eleven students in the first class. Tuition, fees, room, and board came to less than four hundred dollars a year. The first few years were difficult ones as deans seemed to come and go, and faculty members changed frequently. By 1843, however, there were over one hundred students. Even then, the student body came from as far away as Pennsylvania and Connecticut, which would have been weeks away. They also came from closer states, such as Mississippi and Alabama.

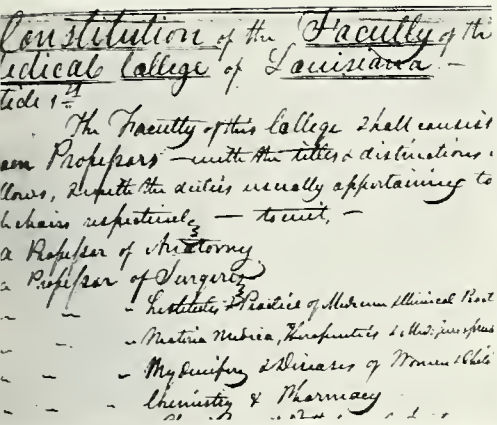
Medical school in those days was quite different than it is today. Only eight months of lectures was required to obtain an MD. The school year was four months long. The same seven courses were repeated over again in the second year. The curriculum consisted of classes in Anatomy and Physiology, Chemistry, Materiae Medica, Principles and Practice of Medicine, Surgery, Obstetrics, and the diseases of women and children. Professors received no salary, but were compensated instead by selling tickets to their lectures to the medical students. Instruction was almost wholly didactic, with practical instruction in Anatomy only. The lectures were delivered to the entire student body assembled in a large room or amphitheatre. Clinical subjects were taught in the same manner. Indeed, the unmotivated students would often graduate without having ever attended a delivery, observed an operation or even examined a patient, as these were to be learned as an apprentice to a physician.










Constitution of the Faculty of the
Medical College of Louisiana —
Title I —
The Faculty of this College shall consist
of Professors — with the titles & distinctions
& powers, & with the duties usually appertaining to
the chairs respectively — to wit, —
1 A Professor of Anatomy
2 A Professor of Surgery
— — — Institutes & Practice of Medicine & Clinical Med
— — — Materia Medica, Therapeutics & Med. Jurisprud
— — — Physiology & Diseases of Women & Chil
— — — Chemistry & Pharmacy

The Civil War brought a halt to all formal medical training in 1862. The Medical College of Louisiana was fortunate to find financial security in the form of Paul Tulane, a wealthy New Orleans merchant, who bequeathed $1,250,000 to provide for a new university. In 1884, the various departments of the University of Louisiana were placed under the aegis of the new institution, The Tulane University of Louisiana.

In 1910, Abraham Flexner published his report of the ranking and classification of medical schools, with Tulane ranked as one of the top three Southern institutions. At that time, Tulane's prominent faculty included the great Dr. Rudolph Matas, a vascular surgeon, and Isadore Dyer, a noted dermatologist who was instrumental in the development of the leprosarium in Carrville, Louisiana.

In 1913, Tulane boasted a School of Pharmacy, School of Dentistry, School of Medicine, and Graduate School of Medicine (only the latter two still remain).

The Tulane Medical Center was organized in 1969 to broaden Tulane's commitment to medical education, research, and patient care. The Tulane Medical Center Hospital and Clinic, the first such university hospital in Louisiana, was dedicated in October 1976. This 300-bed hospital has enabled Tulane to consolidate a wide range of services in a tertiary care environment and it has become a major referral center in the region.

Since its founding 162 years ago as the Medical College of Louisiana, the Tulane University School of Medicine has undergone many changes. The most recent of these have been the addition of a new hospital wing and the Environmental Health Research building. Though Tulane originally catered to students mainly from the South, it now attracts students from all parts of the United States. From its meager beginnings in 1834, the Tulane University School of Medicine has given over 12,000 medical degrees. Paul Tulane would certainly be proud of the many physicians who have graduated from the university bearing his name.

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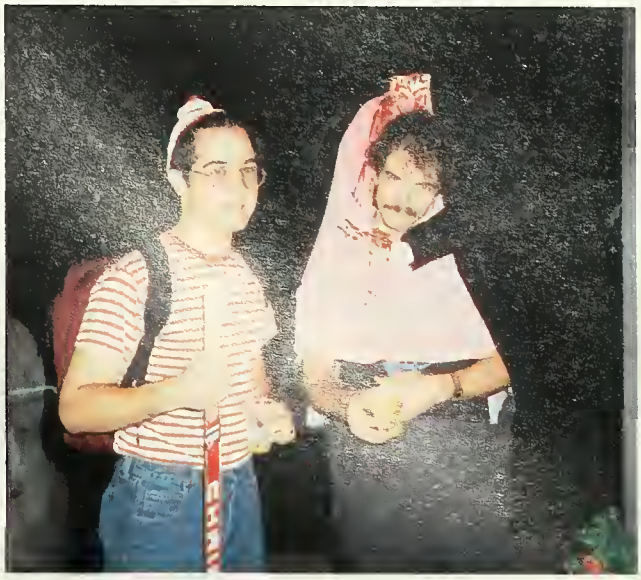


Charity Hospital
A New Orleans Legend

Steeped in Louisiana history, Charity hospital embraces an intriguing and colorful past, having survived economic hardships, natural disasters, and some of the worst political and patronage problems in the country.

Its charter dates back to January 1736, when Jean Louis, a French sailor, bequeathed his estate to the founding and furnishing of Charity Hospital in early French Colonial Louisiana. This makes it the oldest continually operating hospital in what is now United States territory (Bellevue Hospital in New York City was established two months later).

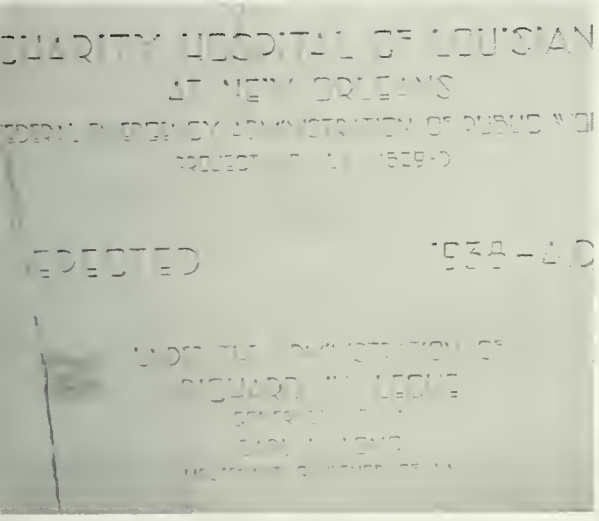
Within ten years, it became necessary to build a new building to replace the overcrowded original structure. The new hospital was conveniently located between a canal--for receiving patients and supplies, and a cemetery--for burying the deceased.

In 1779, a great hurricane wreaked havoc on New Orleans, reducing Charity to ruins. Rebuilt, Charity fell prey to a kitchen fire in 1809, which burned the entire hospital to the ground. The indigent sick were temporarily housed in the Cabildo until the hospital could be restored. Five years after the fire, a new hospital was completed with the facilities "vast and commodious, capable of caring for 120 patients."

A group of citizens visiting Charity in 1818 were horrified by the conditions of the patients, the hospital filthiness, and the total inadequacy of the attendants. They complained to the governor and Hospital administration and it became clear that new facilities were again needed. In 1833, the fourth version of Charity was completed at the cost of $149,570. With the arrival of the Daughters of Charity and the Medical College of Louisiana, the overall medical atmosphere in New Orleans was excellent. At that time, the entire medical complex was very likely the best of its kind in the world.

Charity weathered the Civil War, and prospered during the remainder of the nineteenth century. By 1900, the hospital probably contained almost 2,000 beds, while other hospitals in the city had perhaps only 150 beds combined.

As World War I came to a close, a new war was just beginning between the School of Medicine and Hospital Administrators. The worst was yet to come under



Huey P. Long's administration. Long immediately reorganized the Board of Administrators and replaced the Superintendent with Dr. Arthur Vidrine. In 1930, Long abruptly dismissed Dr. Alton Ochsner allegedly because of Dr. Ochsners's complaints about political constraints placed on his attempts to build a first-rate surgery department at Tulane. This feud, along with the failure of Tulane to award Long the law degree that he desired, quite possibly played a role in the establishment of the Louisiana State University School of Medicine.

It had been clear for many years that the 100-year-old Charity building again needed to be replaced. Following Long's assasination in 1933, federal funds became available to build the current structure, completed on June 27, 1939.

After World War II, problems involving interrelationships developed not only for Charity, but also for the medical schools. The Ochsner Clinic emerged as a large medical institution, employing many of Tulane's faculty and developing its own residency training programs. The Veterans Adminstration Hospital also developed a residency program. With the rise of LSU Medical School, the old controversies between Tulane and Charity were now simply extended to it as well.

In the late 1950s, many sweeping changes were considered for Charity and its associated schools. In the 1960s, the ugly matter of segregation was dealt with and the "colored" and "white" wards that were on separate sides of the hospital were eliminated.

By the late 1960s, financial problems for the hospital and both schools were paramount, particularly as Tulane was increasing its residency affiliations with hospitals other than Charity. Woefully inadequate financing continued, however, and the hospital has lost its accreditation on several occasions since 1975. This threatens not only Charity, but both medical schools and the entire medical education process.

While plans for problem solving are being developed, the question remains: "Is Charity an anachronism, or can it be properly funded and equipped to provide excellent care and teaching opportunities as it has in the past?" One can only hope that future administrators will act favorably on initiatives to preserve Charity's tradition and improve on its current state of affairs.

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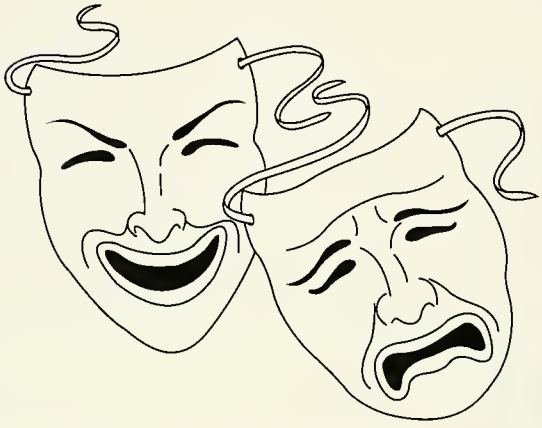

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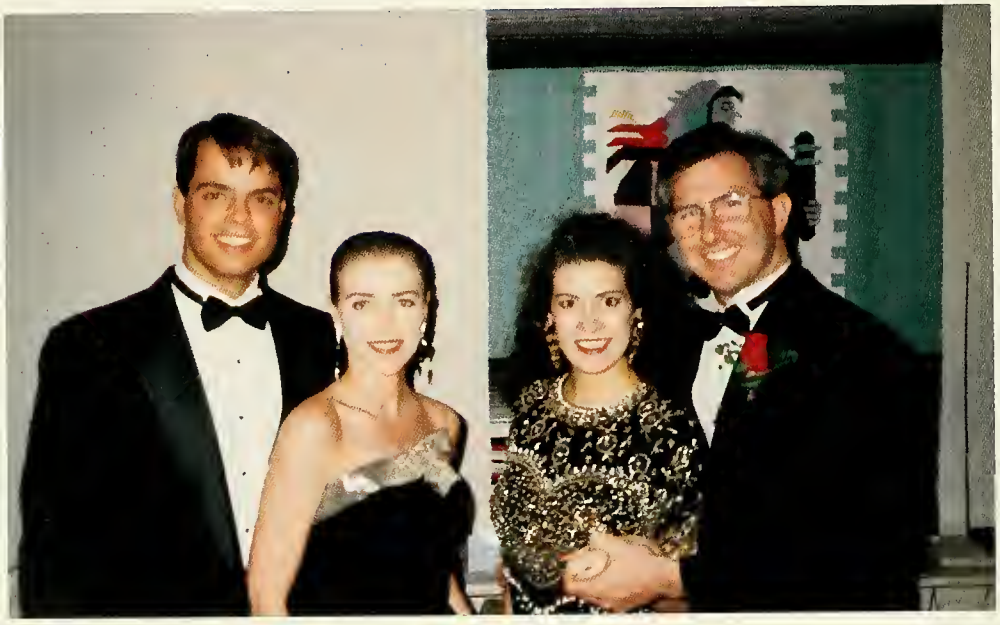

Tulane University Medical Center

School of Medicine
Office of Admissions
1430 Tulane Avenue
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November 26, 1991

Dear

I take great pleasure in informing you of your appointment to the first-year medical class at the Tulane University School of Medicine, to enter in August of 1992. I sincerely hope that you will accept our invitation to take your medical training at Tulane, and look forward to having you join us.

In order to reserve your place in the class, we must receive, within the next two weeks, written notification of your intent to accept our invitation, along with a check for $100 payable to the Tulane Educational Fund. This deposit will be credited to your tuition account for the first semester of academic year 1992-93 and is fully refundable prior to June 15, 1992 should you decide not to attend Tulane. As of this date, the tuition for entering first-year students has not yet been determined by the University, but I will make the information available to you by separate letter as soon as possible.

I am sure you will understand that your appointment is contingent upon successful completion of all required premedical courses, completion of the academic program in which you are currently enrolled and maintenance of the level of academic performance that was part of the basis for your acceptance. A final transcript of your grades must be forwarded to this office as soon as your school closes.

On the assumption that you might need financial assistance during your first year in medical school, I have asked the Financial Aid Coordinator to forward, under separate cover, application materials and other information. If you need additional information about financial aid, please correspond directly with: Financial Aid Coordinator, Office of the Dean, Tulane University School of Medicine, 1430 Tulane Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70112.

On behalf of the students, faculty, and administration at Tulane, I bid you a most enthusiastic welcome. If I can be of service to you in any way, please feel free to call upon me.

Sincerely,

W. Clifford Newman, Ph.D.
Associate Dean and Chairman
Committee on Admissions

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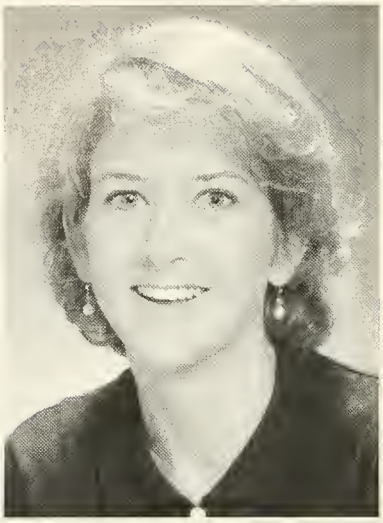

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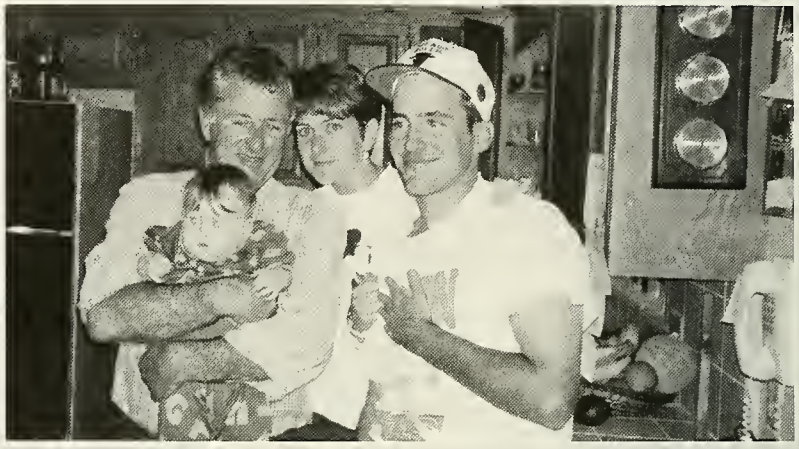

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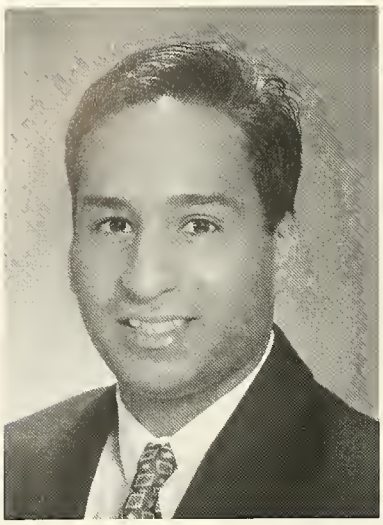

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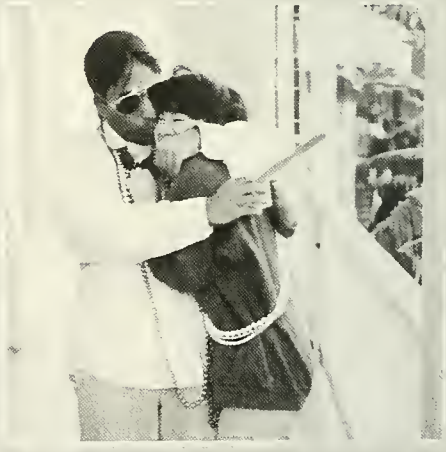

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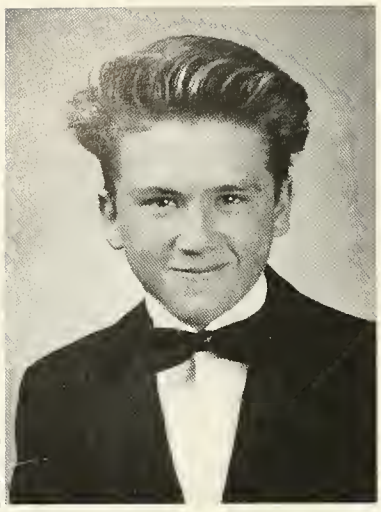

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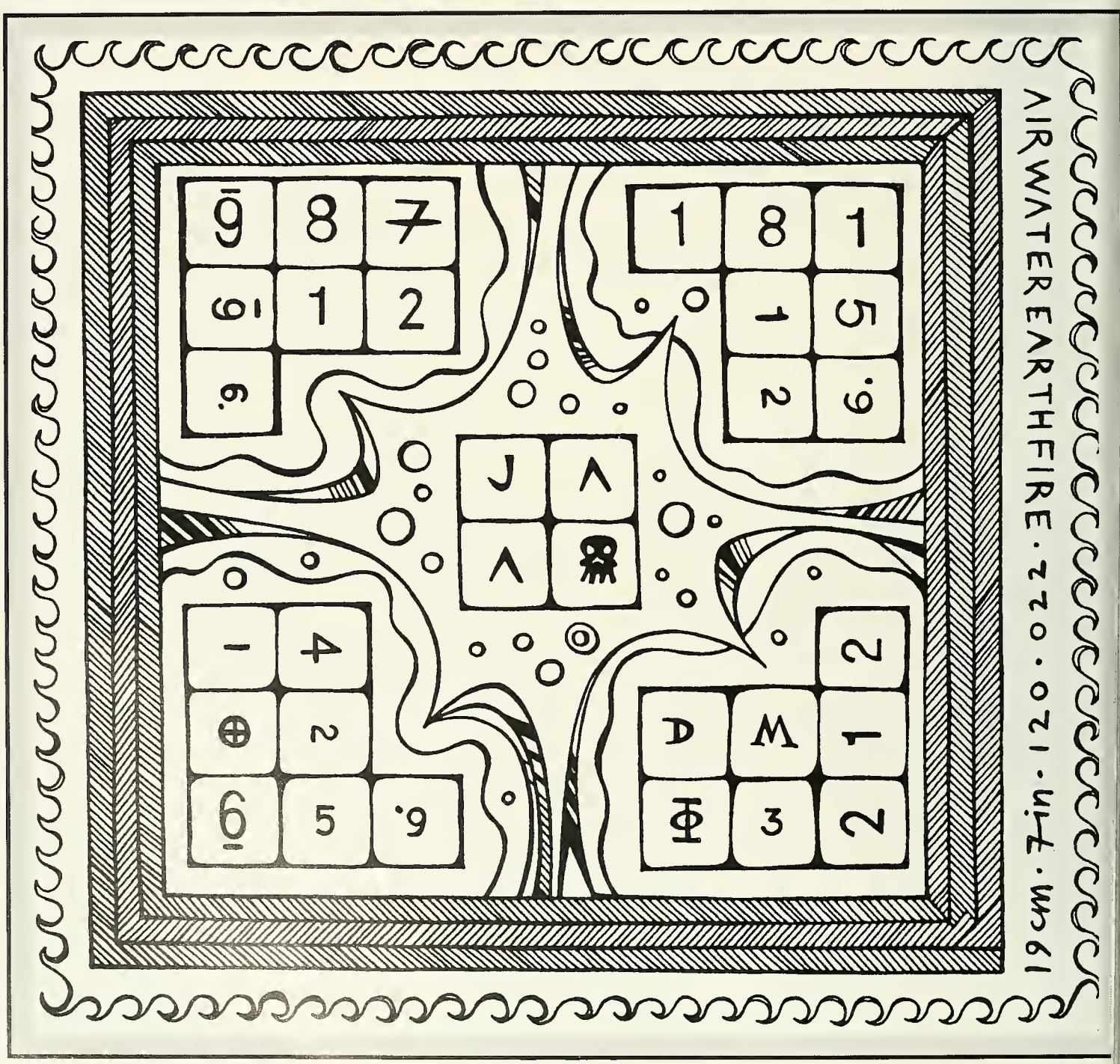

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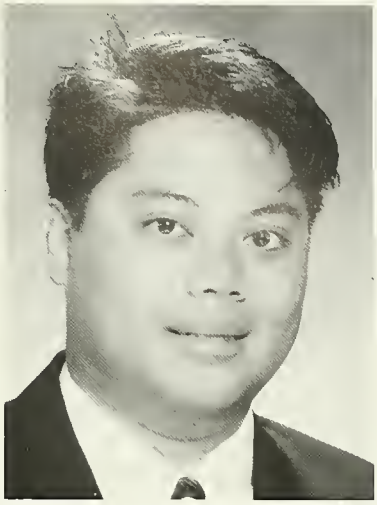

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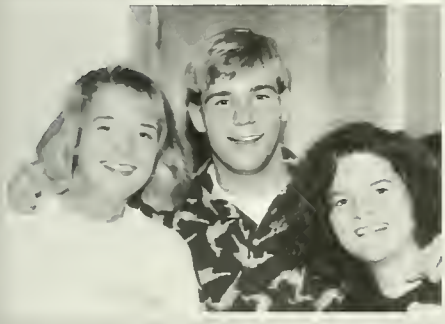

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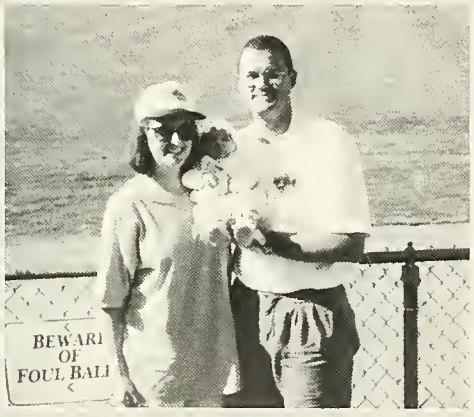

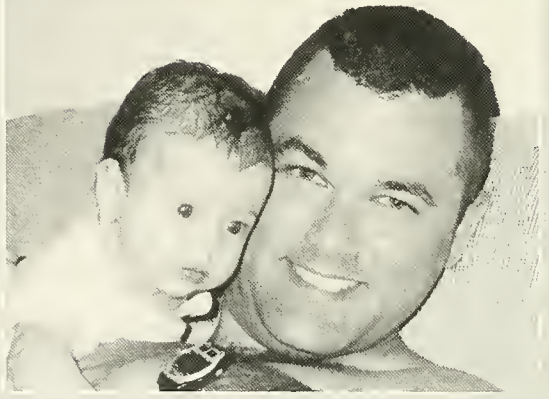

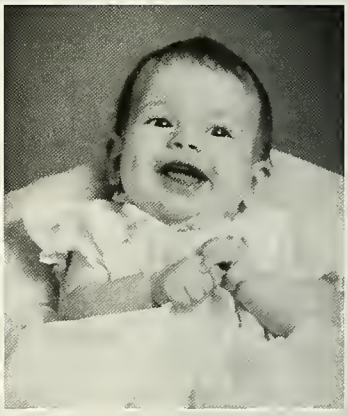

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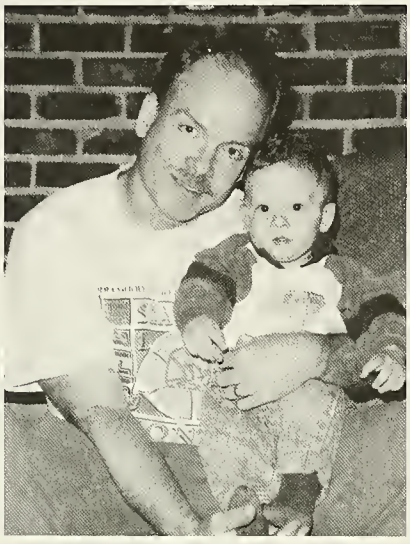

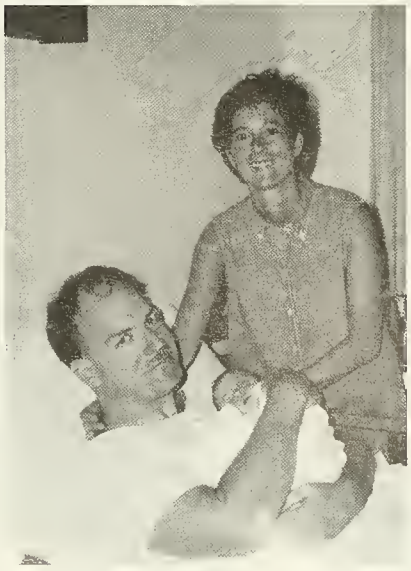

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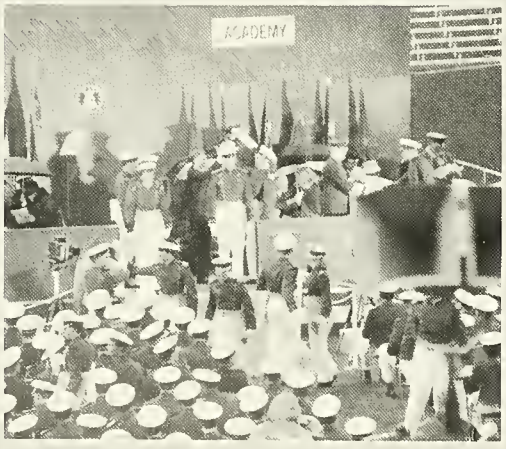

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You Know You're At Home In New Orleans When...

You *drink* Dixie, not sing it
You not only say Tchoupitoulas, but you can say it without laughing
You have discovered that those three inch long cockroaches can fly, but you have decided to maintain your sanity anyway
You begin to believe that purple, green, and gold look good together and will even eat things those colors
You know exactly what you are going to eat next Monday, and the Monday after that, and the Monday after that...
You are no longer shocked when someone advises you to *suck the heads and pinch the tails*
You *make* groceries, not buy them
You're not afraid when someone wants to *axe* you something
You consider it an honor, on certain occasions, to have cabbages or coconuts thrown at you
You are able to make a U-turn on St. Charles Avenue avoiding joggers, other drivers, and moving streetcars
You describe items of a certain hue as being *K&B purple*
You get on a bus marked CEMETERIES without a second thought
You think a ten foot ceiling is rather low
You don't think twice about walking outside with a beer in your hand
You look both ways before going through a green light
You've finally mastered the technique of hitting a cockroach with a shoe just hard enough to kill the cockroach but not ruin your oriental carpet
You'll only eat a sandwich that's bigger than your head
You can navigate without ever making a left turn
You reinforce your attic floor so you can store more beads and cups

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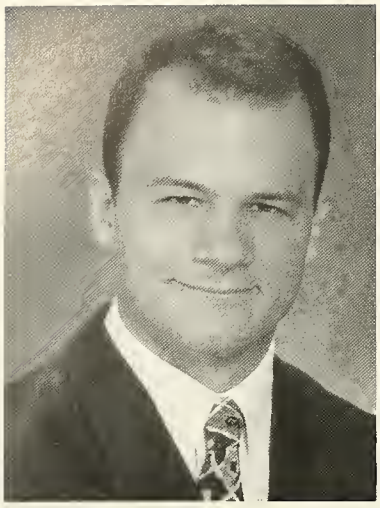
When I see shooting stars travel across the sky
I make believe that you and I
Are one with the heavens
So cast to the wind, unleash the powers within
Open doors, walk through the room of change
Only your dreams have no boundaries
Don't stay in between
You can go anywhere

--the Vangoes



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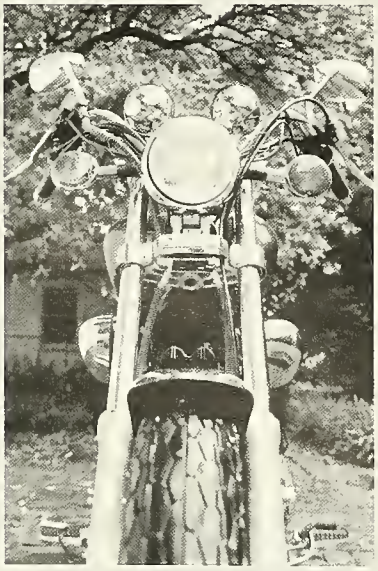

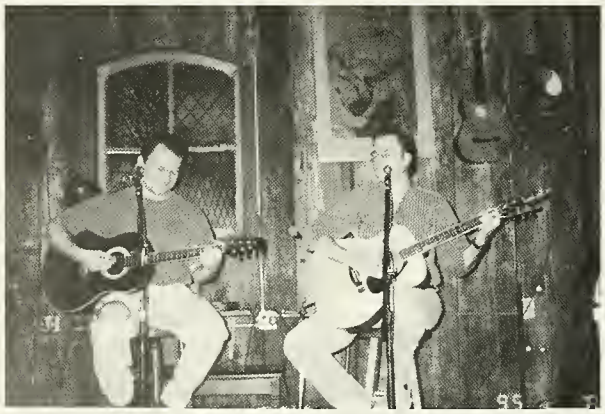

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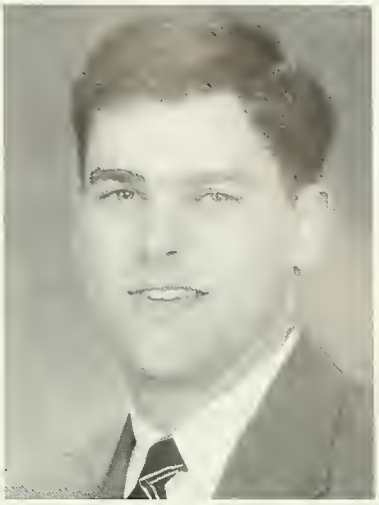

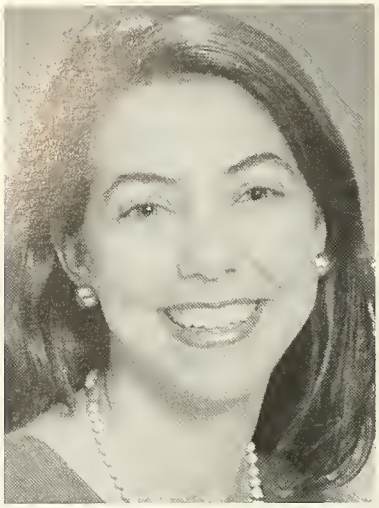

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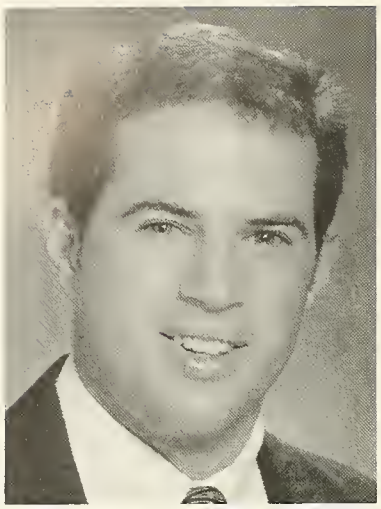

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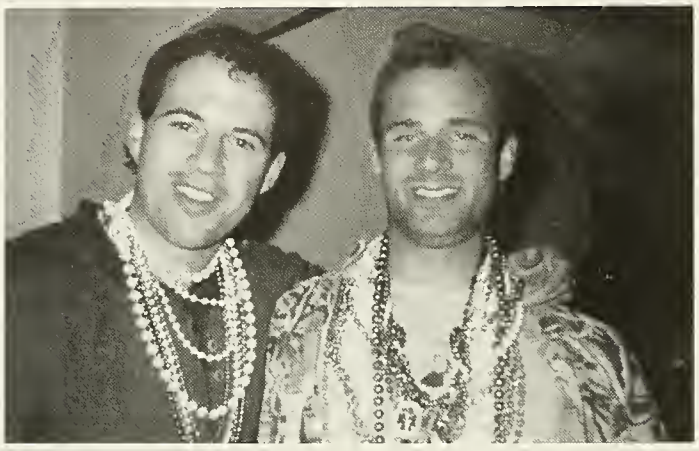

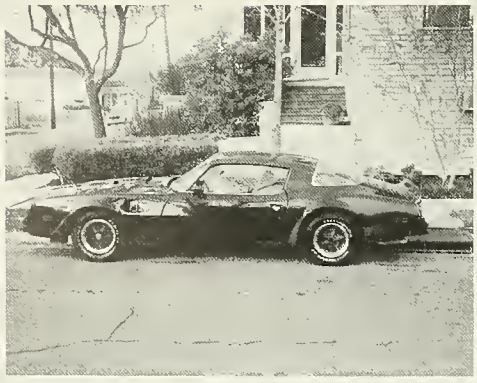

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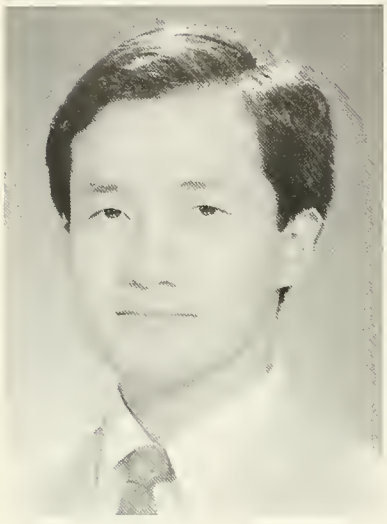

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A little learning is a dangerous thing;
Drink deep, or taste not the Pierian spring;
There shallow draughts intoxicate the brain,
And drinking largely sobers us again.
–Alexander Pope

If you have built your castles in the air,
Your work need not be lost;
That is where they should be.
Now put the foundations under them.
–Henry David Thoreau

'Beeper Obliterans': Clinical Staging and Natural History

To the Editor -- In this report, we describe a common but previously uncharacterized clinical entity affecting hospital staff physicians "beeper obliterans." The essential element of this syndrome is the periodic emission of high-pitched electronic tones secondary to an ever-increasing abdominal girth that impinges on the test button located on the superior aspect of the wearer's pager-beeper.

Using a modified version of the *Disease Staging*[1] methodology, we(two staff pediatricians with 25 years of combined experience) have described this condition's inexorable march (see Table).

Advancement to stage 4 is directly correlated to a body mass index of 35 kg/m² or greater, clinical service of 10 or more years, and knowledge of the code for the patient pantry-door lock. Of interest is the notable "silent phase" seen at the level of departmental chairman (when beeper is shed and all calls are taken by the secretary, program director, or safely ignored). Further research on the natural history and treatment of this ponderous problem is suggested.

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1 Gomella JF, ed. *Disease Staging*. 3rd ed. New York, NY: SysteMetrics McGraw Hill; 1986

Stage	Status and Description
0	*Condition-Free.* Beeper functions as designed. Physician alert and ready. Reaches phone within 15 s 100% of time. Body mass index (BMI) = 22. BMI = wt/ht²(kg/m²)
1	*Pager Paunch.* Truncal flexion by wearer sets off beeper test button. Physician frequently confused. Answers <85% of pages. BMI = 25 kg/m²
2	*Beeper Bulge.* Abdominal overhang intermittently muffles audio tones ("soufflé effect"). Worsened by consumption of high-fiber meals. Sufferer strains at listening, ameliorated by loss of high-tone hearing. BMI = 28 kg/m²
3	*Pager Inversus.* Tone set off even by quiet respirations. Roll of pants at the belt line causes pager inversion with characteristic "echo effect." Wearer disoriented by microwave beeps in hospital snack bar. >25% of pages answered (paradoxical irritability). BMI = 31 kg/m²
4	*Beeper Obliterans.* Beeper completely enveloped by adipose tissue. Associated with increased risk of coronary artery and gallbladder diseases, as well as non–insulin-dependent diabetes. <3% of pages answered. BMI ≥ 35 kg/m². Surgical removal or elevation to chairmanship may be indicated (see text).

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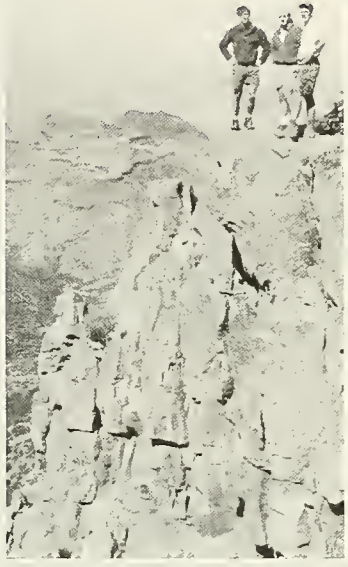

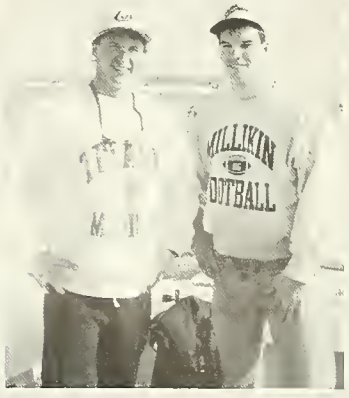

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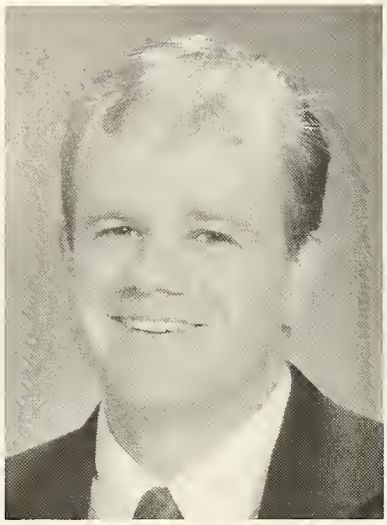

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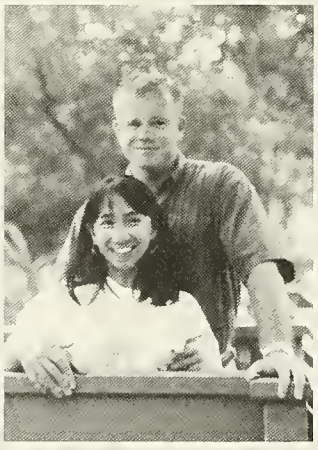

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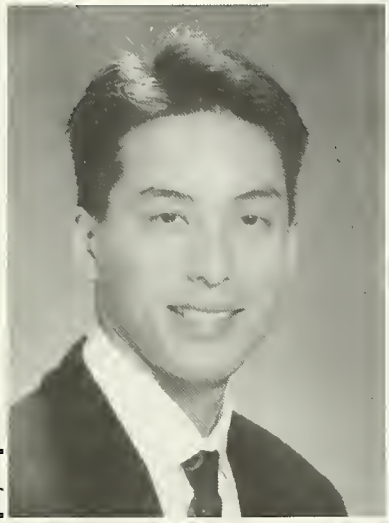

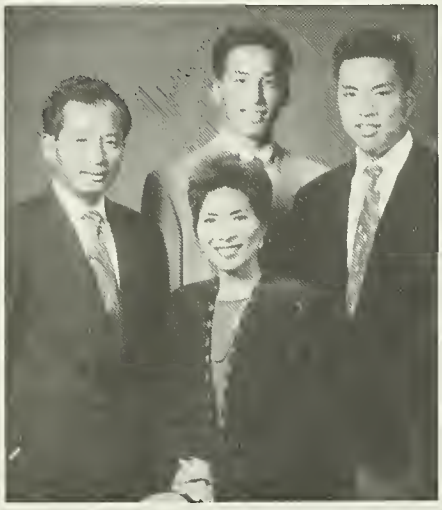

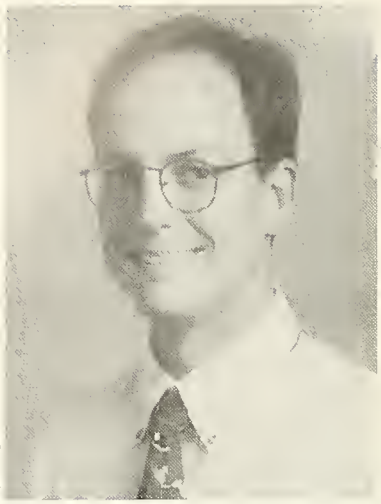

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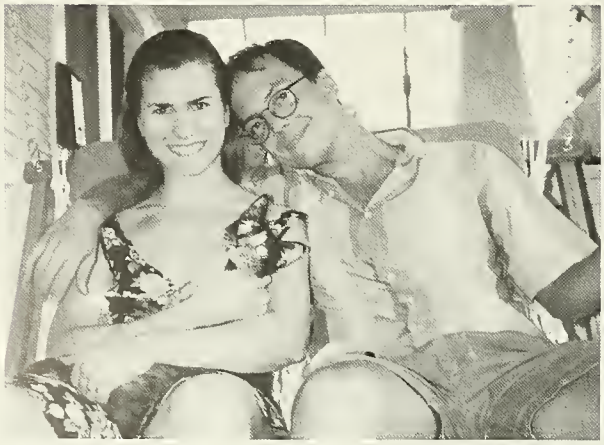

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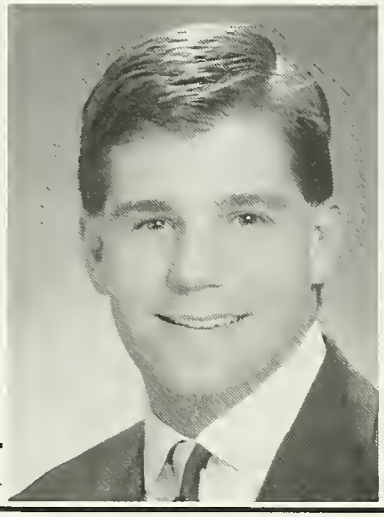

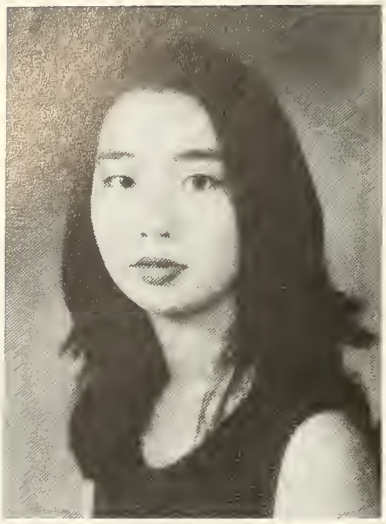

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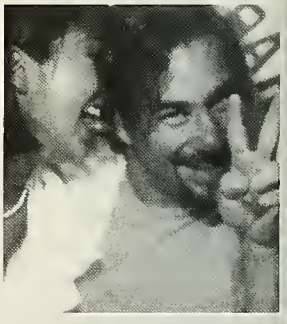
This is dedicated to my Mom and Dad. Thanks for your love and support. Although you didn't always agree with me, you let me choose my own path, and for that I will always be grateful. I couldn't have made it this far without you.



Two roads diverged in a wood, and I
I took the road less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference...

To all my friends, especially Sean, Scottie Pie, Michelle, Enoch, Allison, Meredith, Paul, and Sid, thanks for being such **freaks**. Sean, thanks for your couch, your craziness, and your MTV. Thanks to Judy and Steve. I love you guys.

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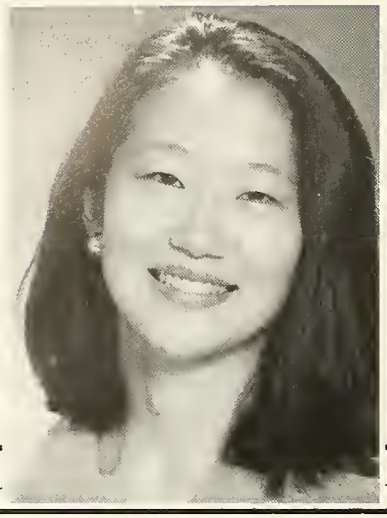

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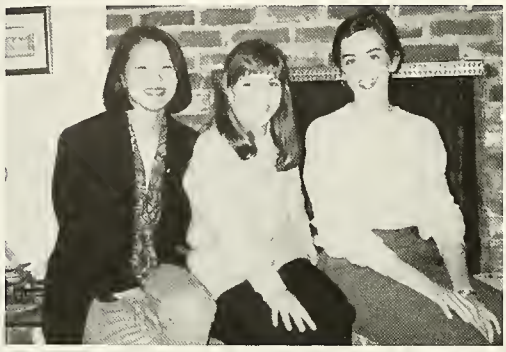

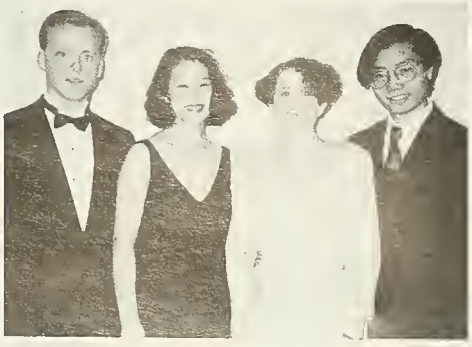

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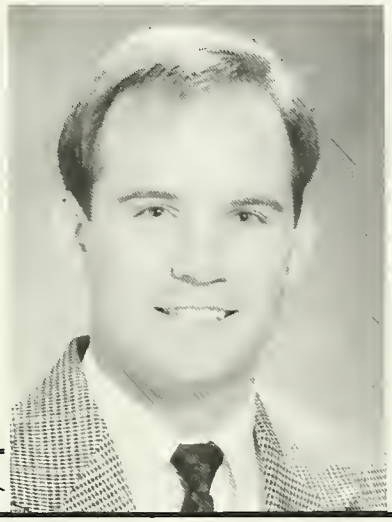

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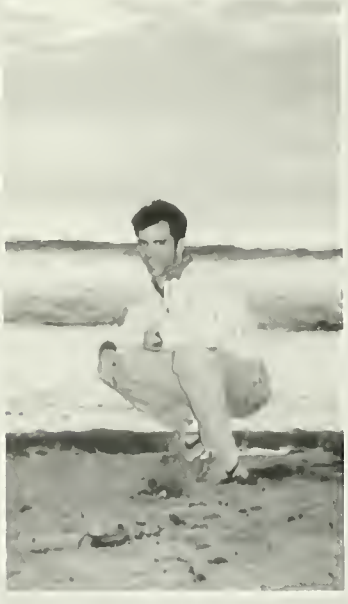

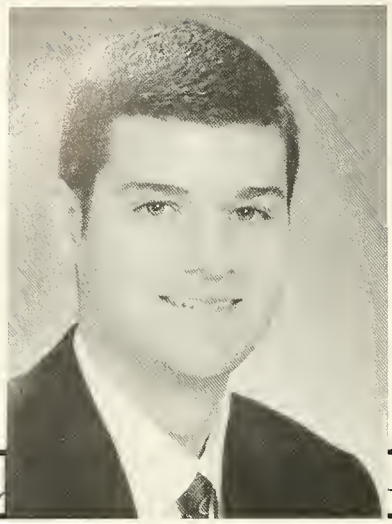

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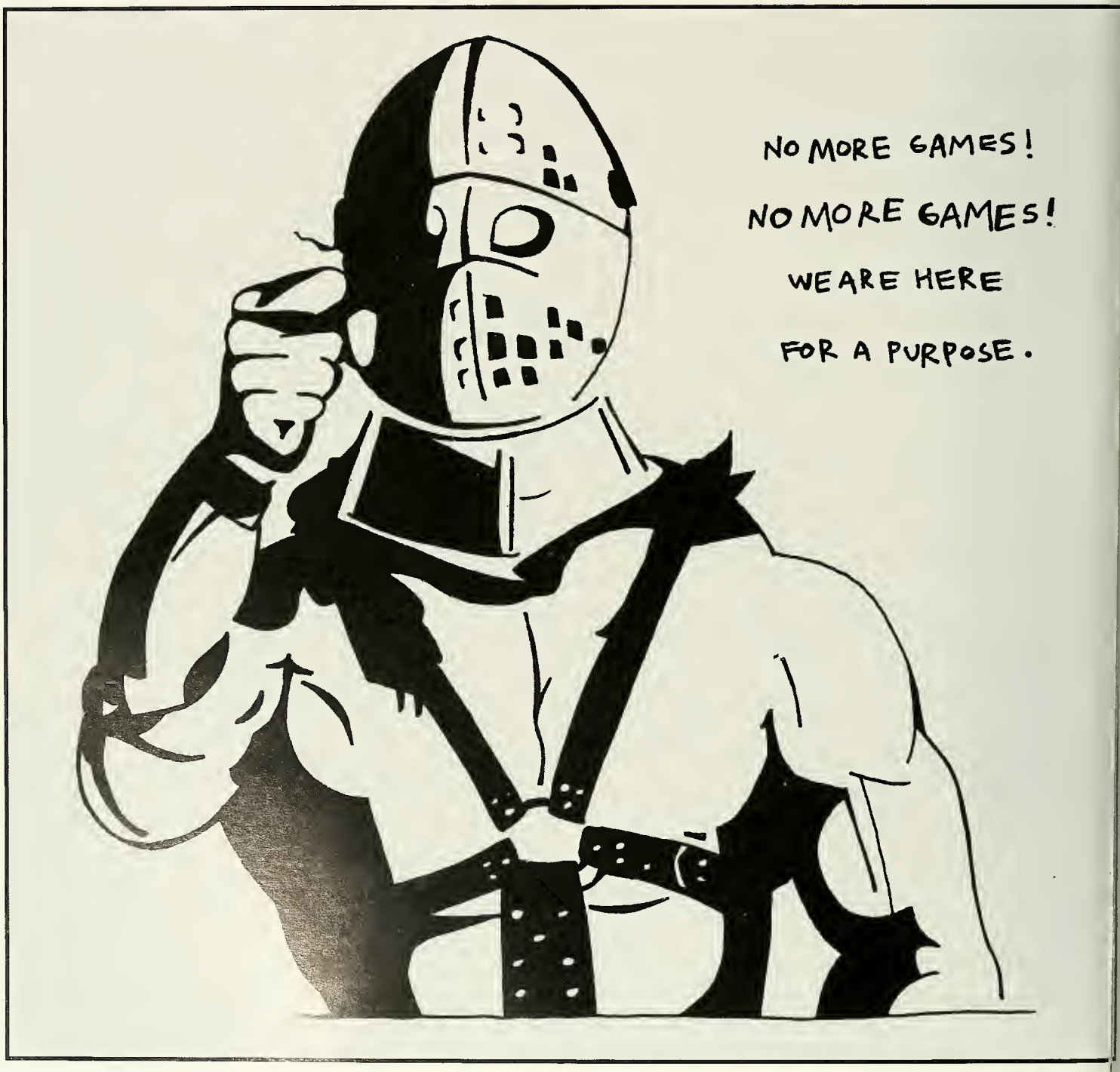

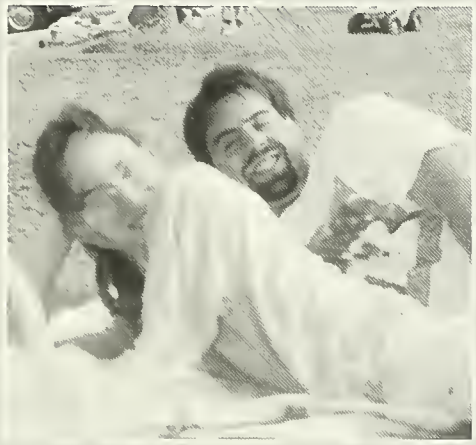

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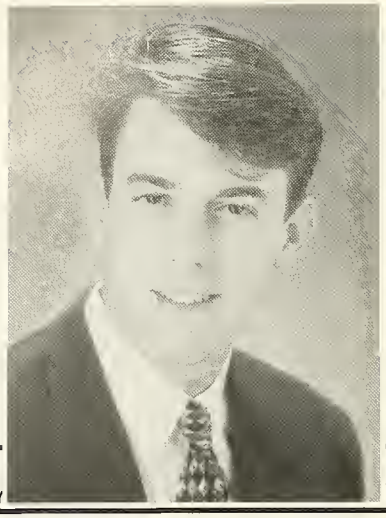

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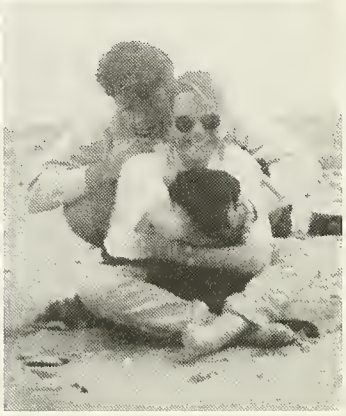

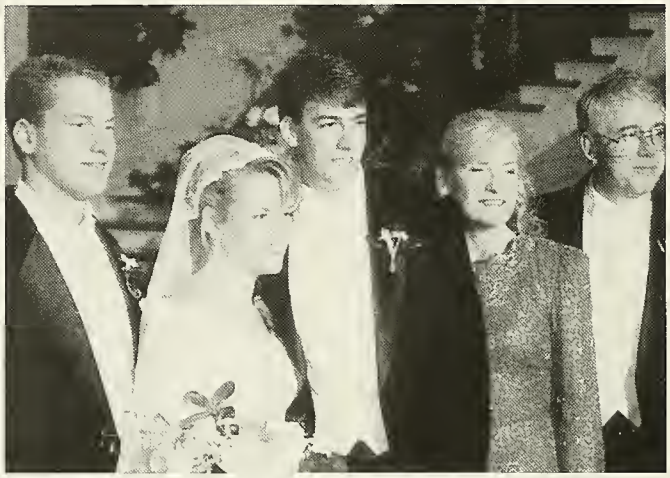

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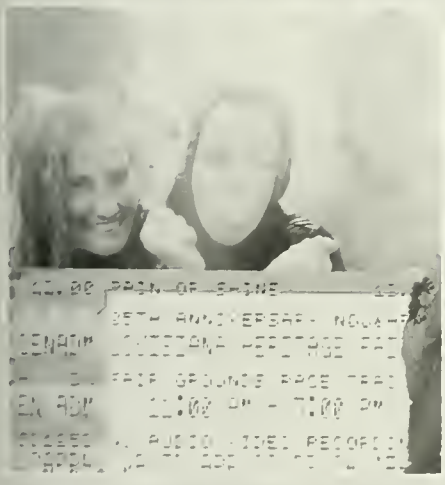

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With the breakdown of the Medieval system, the gods of Chaos, Lunacy, and Bad Taste gained ascendancy After a period in which the western world had enjoyed order, tranquility, unity and oneness with its True God and Trinity, there appeared winds of change which spelled evil days ahead.. Fortuna's wheel had turned on humanity, crushing its collarbone, smashing its skull, twisting its torso, puncturing its pelvis, sorrowing its soul. Having once been so high, humanity fell so low. What had once been dedicated to the soul was now dedicated to the sale Merchants and charlatans gained control of Europe, calling their insidious gospel "The Enlightenment." The day of the locust was at hand, but from the ashes of humanity there arose no Phoenix The humble and pious peasant, Piers Plowman, went to town to sell his children to the lords of the New Order for purposes that we may call questionable at best The gyre had widened; The Great Chain of Being had snapped like so many paper clips strung together by some drooling idiot, death, destruction, anarchy, progress, ambition, and self-improvement were to be Pier's new fate And a vicious fate it was to be now he was faced with the perversion of having to GO TO WORK

Ignatius J Reilly in *A Confederacy of Dunces*

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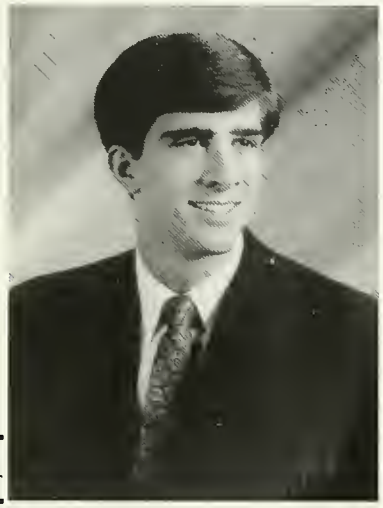

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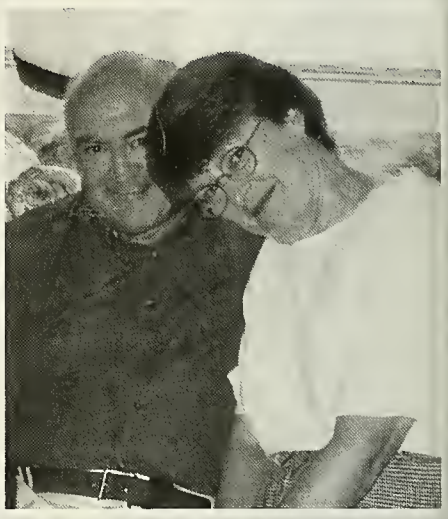

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A Reading From The Book of Episiotomy

Chapter 5, Vv. 3-0 to 6-0 Chromic

As Told By Leslie Wilson

And the LORD spoke unto Neohomo, who was called Kliph, saying unto him: "Gather ye my CHOSEN, who shall number sevenscore and eight, that you might instructeth them in the ways of healing. Bring them to this place that I have appointed, which place shall henceforth be called Toolain, meaning "the appointed place." Gather them from all the land; verily, even from the furthest hinterlands, Kali-phonya and Nyauk, so that they might hear the words of healing.

And Kliph did as the LORD instructed, bringing unto Toolain the best and the brightest, that they might learn the healing arts. And when he had gathered the CHOSEN, Kliph called out unto the LORD, saying, "Oh LORD, I have done as thou hast commanded me. Mightily I have stuggled, thy wish to fulfill. See thou, I have brought Greeks, and Abrahams, and others; verily have I striven to bring a diverse class hereunto."

And the LORD spoke unto Kliph, saying unto him, "Thou hast indeed fulfilled My wishes, oh Kliph; and I am mightily pleased with thy handiwork. Thou hast done a good job, and as a reward therefore, thou shalt henceforth be called Assistant Dean of Admissions, despite the obvious anachronism. Know thou that I shall test these, my CHOSEN, mightily, lest they fall from the ways of grace. Many hardships and tribulations shall they endure, and often shall they be tested; yea, to start with, they shall be tested after each Sabbath, with rare exceptions. Great shall be the knowledge they will learn, and it won't be easy, let Me tell thee. And know that they shall be tested even after graduation, and afflicted with such plagues as insurance agents, ambulance chasers, managed care, and capitation; yet, insolong as they follow my law, so long they shall prevail."

And the LORD began the testing of the CHOSEN. And the first plague he sent upon them was the fiend Anatomie. And yet the people prevailed against Anatomie, stuffing their minds full of useless trivia; so much so that the one called Kirby became upset, shouting forth his wrath to the CHOSEN. Fortunately, they ignored him. Others of the CHOSEN reacted to this volume of information more strangely, some by embellishing the sacred scripts known as Class Note Sets, others by publishing poor attempts at humorous newsletters, henceforth known as the Salpingopharyngeus. And often did these attempts fail.

And during this time there rose up among the CHOSEN a group led by Woll, the Great Consumer of Diet Coke. And they took it upon themselves the task of organizing a great celebration for the chosen, to commemorate the victory over the fiend Anatomie. And mightily did the CHOSEN celebrate this victory on the holiday known as Cadaver Ball. And the LORD saw these celebrations, and He chuckled, saying unto Kliph, "They still don't realize what they've gotten themsleves into, do they, Kliph?" and Kliph replied, "No, my LORD."

And yet, despite their ignorance (or perhaps because of it), the CHOSEN prospered. And it was at this time, the LORD, Seeing a faithful servant in Kliph, took him from the CHOSEN and brought him to assist in the LORD's admission office. The LORD, not wanting to leave the CHOSEN without a father, gave unto them the Great P'zhano. The CHOSEN then continued to learn the arts of the healer, as the LORD wished.

And the CHOSEN continued in their struggle, and the LORD continued his testing thereof. Truly did he test them, sending upon them the plagues Biokemm and Fizy-o. And yet even this did the CHOSEN master, despite lectures on eager reactions and action potentials.

And the LORD continued his testing of the people, with the enemies Paath, Faarm, My-kro, and Eyseehem. And He sent upon the CHOSEN the monsters Djonsun, who knew much of famous dead physicians, and Doam-ah, who knew much of unknown dead words. And when the CHOSEN had bested these trials, the LORD sent unto the people the greatest plague yet, called USMLE I. And as the LORD had foreseen, some did well, others fared poorly, yet all were allowed to continue. The LORD spoke unto them, saying, "Verily dost thou, My CHOSEN, walk in the path of righteousness, and follow my teaching. And therefore shall I send thee My greatest trial."

And then began the year of greatest toil and labor and deliveries, called the Junoir Year, for reasons now lost. And the CHOSEN were afflicted with the most horrible of all the plagues wherewith the LORD tested them, with the plague He called Skutt. And the LORD afflicted them with boils, and vesicles, and maculopapular eruptions, and lumbago, and dropsy, and consumption, and pleurisy. And He sent against them all manners of vicious creatures: terns, and tigers of Elesu, and crabs, and trolls, and roaches, and sloths who operated terrible machines in the place known as Chairatee to carry people up and down but would never stop for the CHOSEN. And verily even did the LORD send chief residents to plague the People, and the Big Beeper, and the Big Sneeze, and the Upper Motor Neurons, and even these the CHOSEN vanquished.

And at the end of that year, the LORD said unto the CHOSEN, "Now mayest thou rest, for truly hast thou struggled and overcome the trials I have sent upon thee. And now truly art thou studs. Go forth, and celebrate this victory; make merry and frolick this one year, because the hard part cometh next. For at the end of this year, truly shalt thou enter into the very valley of the shadow of Death; and as you know, valleys are between hills, and we all know what rolleth down hills."

And the CHOSEN did as the LORD commanded, celebrating for one year and sloughing off their work, for truly they were senior studs now. And although they thought about the trials and tribulations to come, they didn't think about them too much, for why spoileth a good time?

So endeth this reading from the Chronicles of the CHOSEN of 1996.

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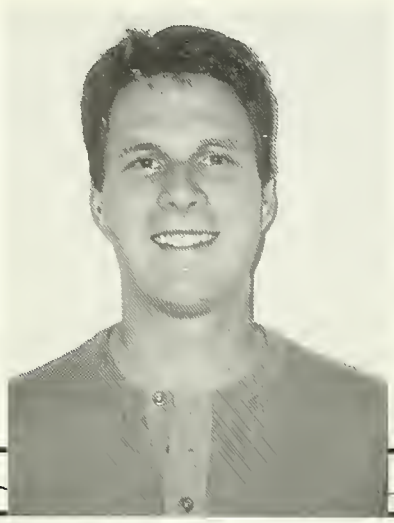

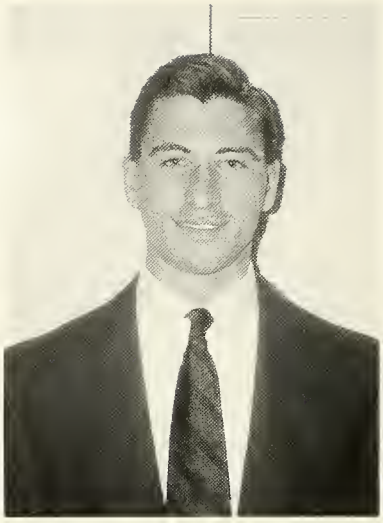

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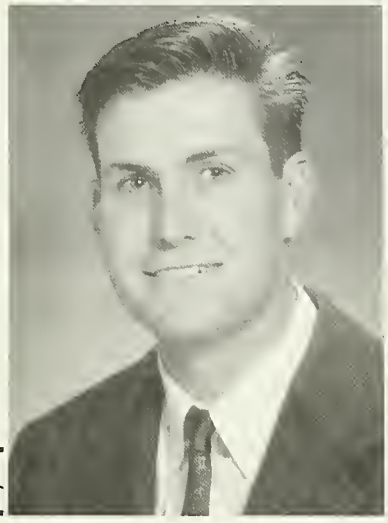

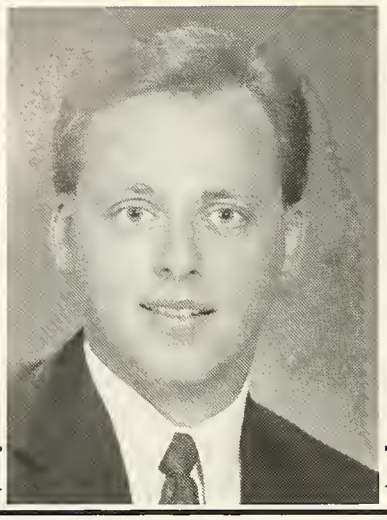

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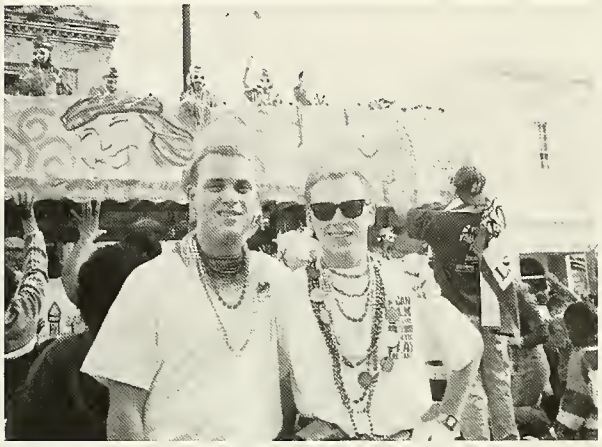

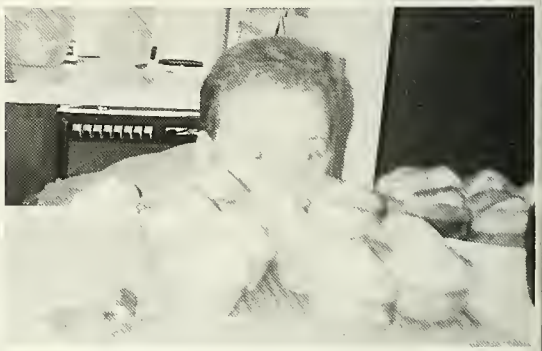

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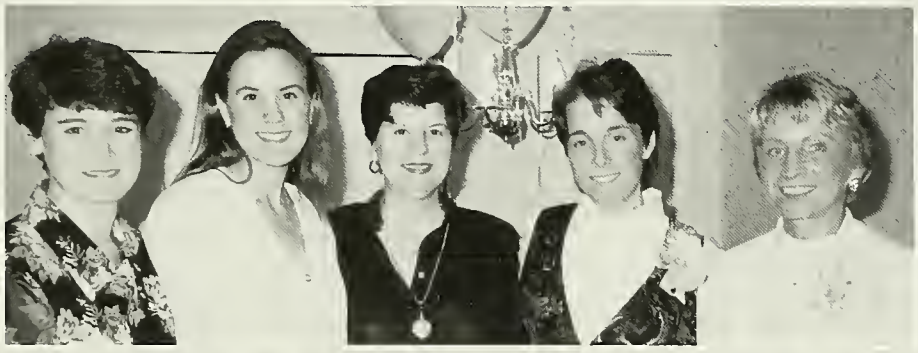

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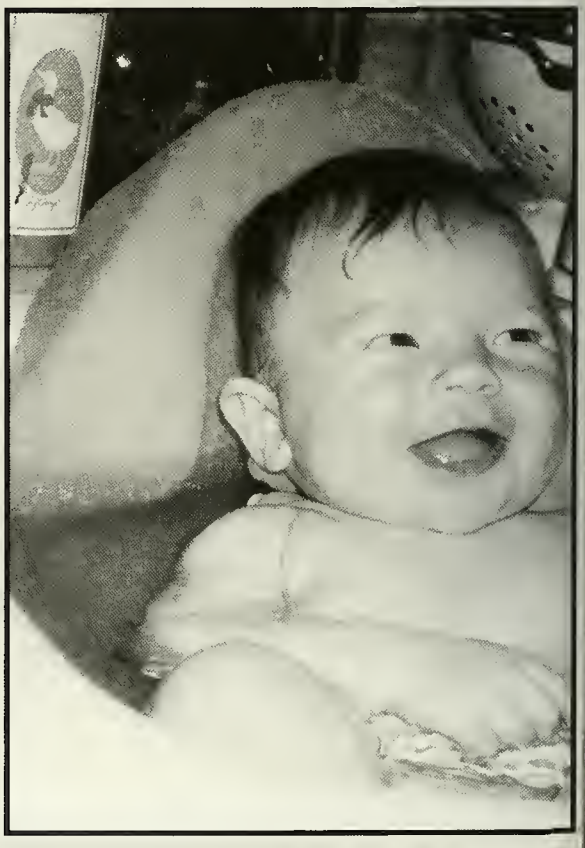

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The Five Best Doctors Anywhere

The five best doctors anywhere,
And no one can deny it,
Are Doctors Sunshine, Water, Air,
Exercise, and Diet.

These five will gladly you attend,
If only you are willing;
And charge you not one shilling.

O. S. Hoffman

Think naught a trifle, though it
small appear;
Sands make the mountain,
Moments make the year,
and trifles -- life.

The Human Touch

'Tis the human touch in this world
that counts,
The touch of your hand and mine,
Which means far more to the
fainting heart
Than shelter and bread and wine;
For shelter is gone when the night
is o'er,
And bread only lasts a day,
But the touch of the hand and the
sound of the voice
Sing on in the soul alway.

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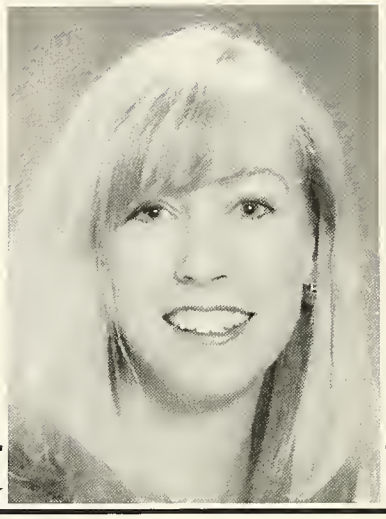

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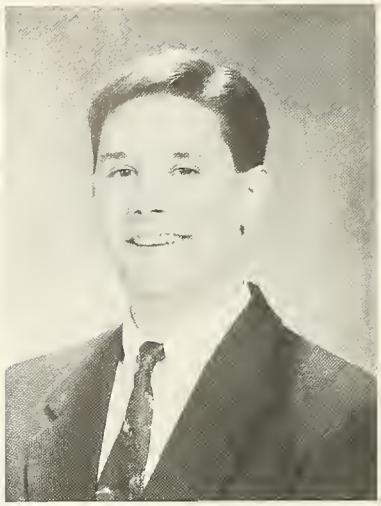

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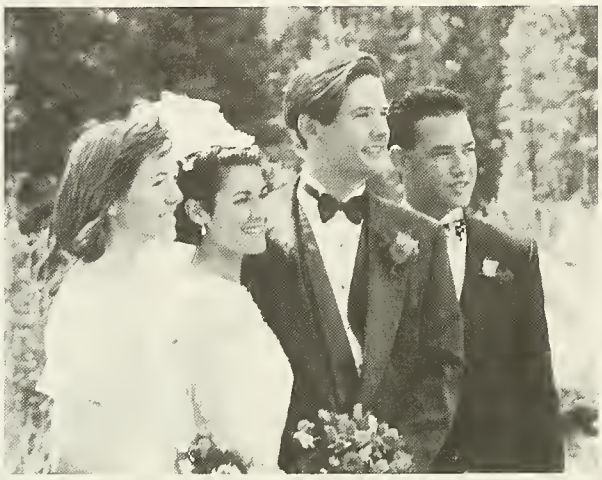

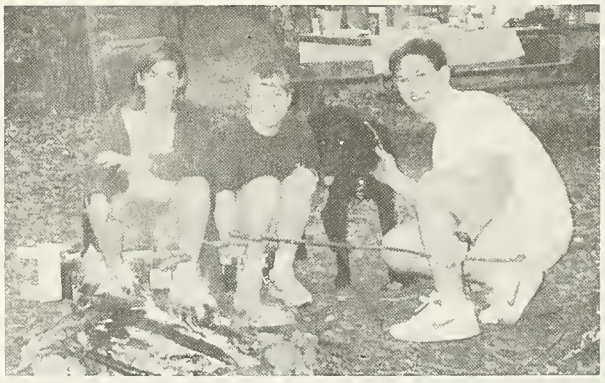

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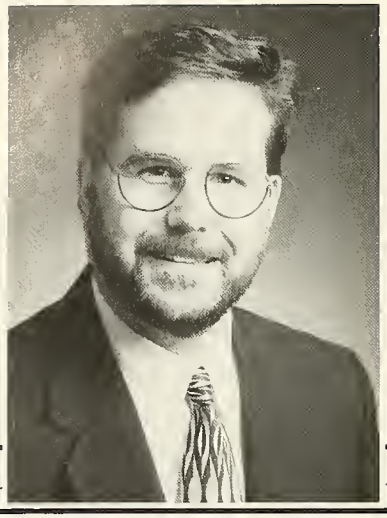

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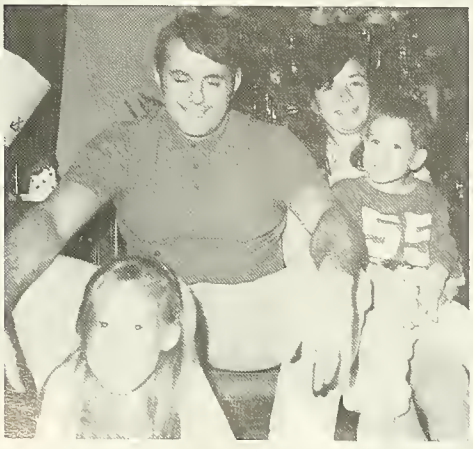

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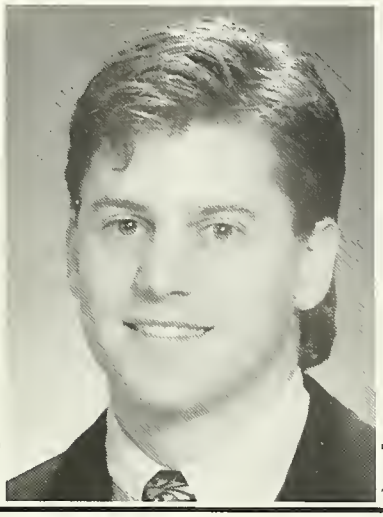

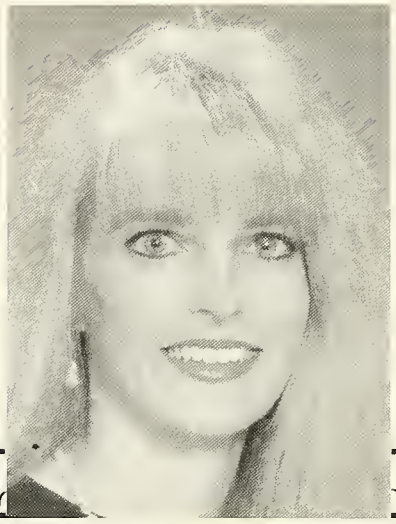

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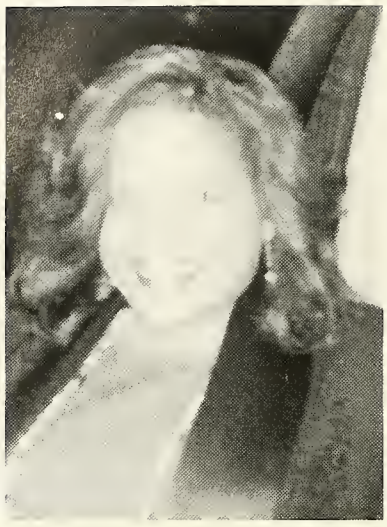

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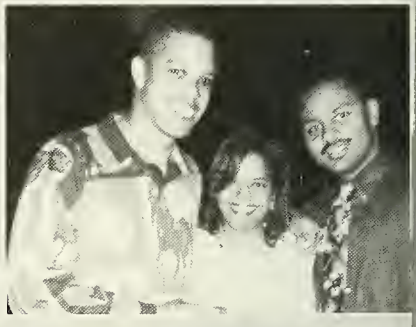

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The Arnolds: A special thanks.
David: "Welcome aboard Trans-sex Airlines. If there should be a sudden fall in pressure, I will drop from the ceiling and apply more." (Prince)
Friends and Family: "I have never seen my own forces so taken up and shared and given back." (A. Rich)

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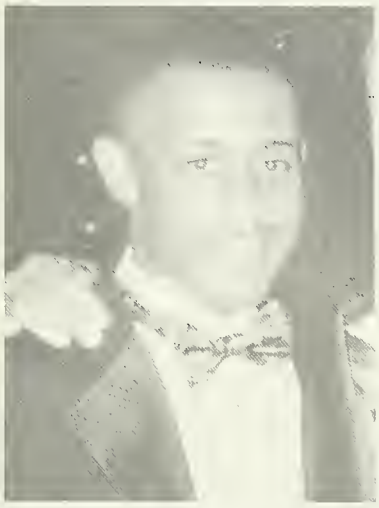

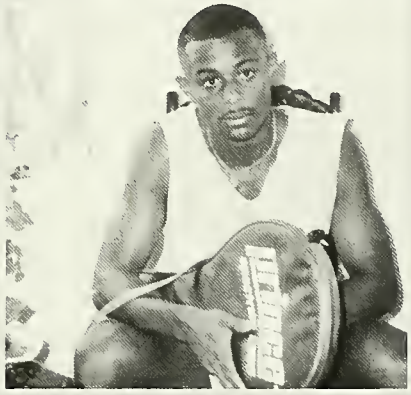

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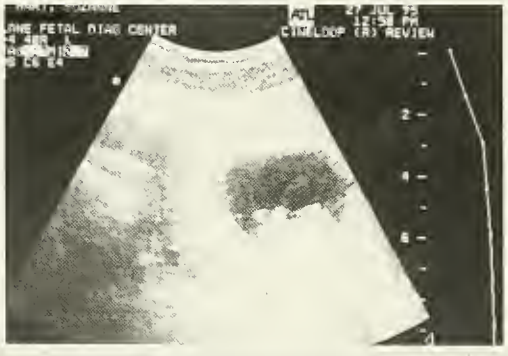

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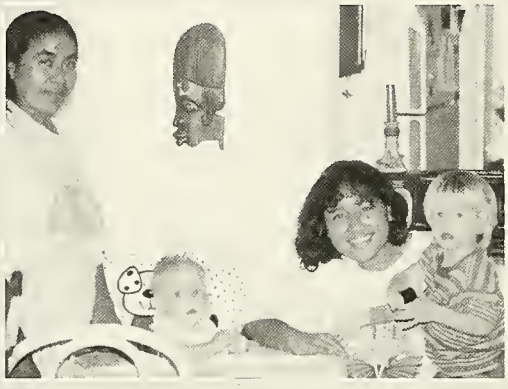

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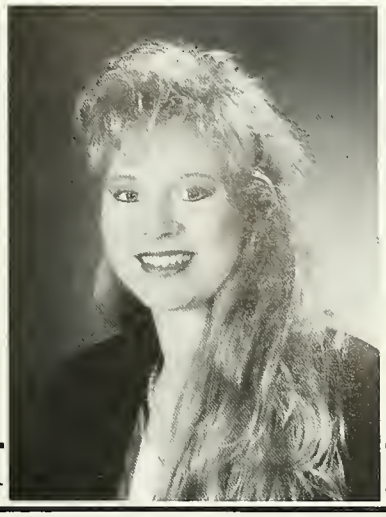

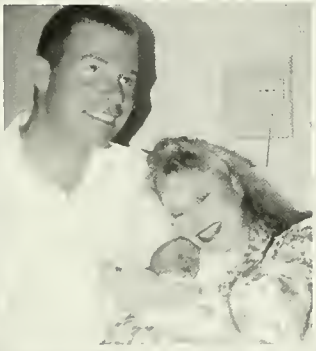

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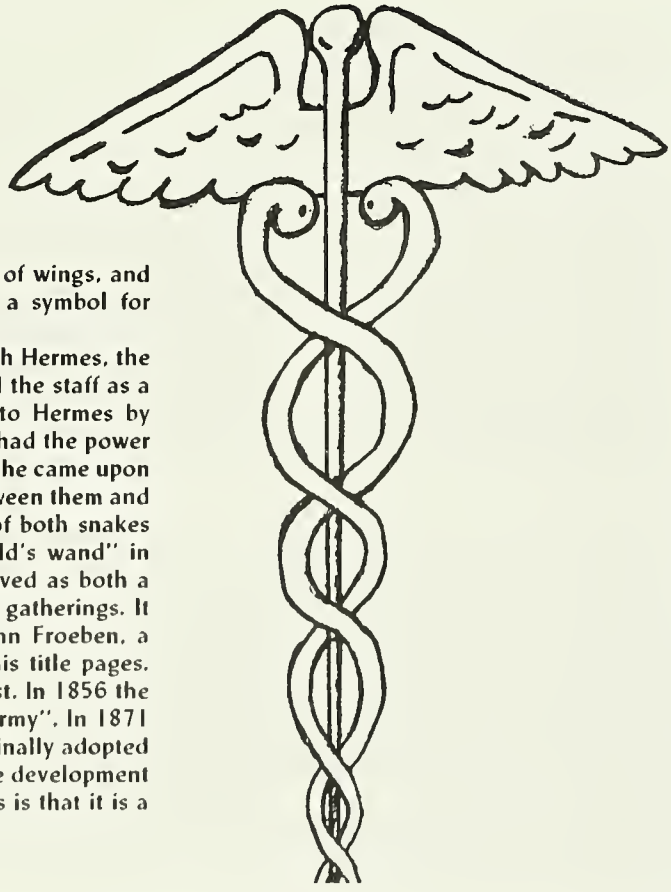
Its All Greek To Me . . .

The staff of Aesculapius (Latin spelling) is pictured as a wooden staff with a single serpent twining around it. Aesculepius (Greek spelling) was the Greek god of medicine, and was the son of Apollo and the nymph Coronis. According to legend Coronis was killed for being unfaithful, but Aesculapius was saved and raised by Chiron, the centaur, who taught Aesculapius the ways of the healing arts. Aesculapius married Eipone and had several children including two daughters, Hygiea and Panaceia, and two sons, Machaon and Podaleirios, the two sons being noted by Homer in the *Iliad* as physicians during the Trojan War. The remedies practiced by Aesculapius varied from benign advise such as fasting to reduce fever, to more violent therapies of bleeding, abstinence, and "friction". Many temples were built for Aesculapius, the more famous ones being Cos, Cnidus, and Epidaurus, and it was common for stricken individuals to actually sleep at the temples whereby the gods would visit them at night and their dreams would be interpreted in the morning for clues toward the cure of their ailment. One legend describes Aesculapius' death as a result of a thunderbolt hurled by Zeus who was jealous of the healing skills possessed by Aesculapius as they threatened to make men immortal and therefore equals to the gods. The tradition of Aesculapius was brought to Rome around 293 B.C. in hopes that it would bring good luck and healing against a plague that was at that time assalting the city.

The image of Aesculapius was always with a walking staff in hand, around which twined a single serpent. The snake has historically represented wisdom, learning and fertility. It's association with the healing arts may well come from it's long life, keen eyesight, and annual renewal of skin. The staff and snake symbol eventually came to stand on it's own to represent the pure, ethical, and non-commercial ideals of medicine. It is currently the symbol for the Royal Medical Corps of Great Britain, the American Medical Association, and the Royal Canadian Medical Corps.



The caduceus consists of a long, straight staff, topped by a pair of wings, and around which two serpents are entwined. It's development into a symbol for medicine is somewhat more obscure.

A look to Greek mythology reveals that the staff is associated with Hermes, the wing-footed messenger of the gods (Roman: Mercury), who carried the staff as a symbol of peace. As legend goes the staff was originally given to Hermes by Apollo as a reward for allowing Apollo to invent the lyre. The staff had the power to unite all things divided by hate; when Hermes traveled to Arcadia he came upon two serpents locked in combat at which time he placed the staff between them and observed the cessation of their fighting and a friendly entwining of both snakes around the staff. The word caduceus roughly translates to "herald's wand" in Greek. The wand was carried by heralds and town cryers, and served as both a symbol of public office and as an emblem of peaceful and neutral gatherings. It was first used as a medical symbol in the 16th century by Johann Froeben, a publisher of medical books, who used to print the caduceus on his title pages. Then a physician to Henry VIII began to use the emblem on his crest. In 1856 the caduceus was associated with the "Hospital Stewards of the U.S. Army". In 1871 the U.S. Public Health Service began to use the symbol, and it was finally adopted by the U.S. Army Medical Corps in 1910. One possible reason for the development of the caduceus to represent medicine over the staff of Aesculapius is that it is a more balanced and aesthetically pleasing symbol.

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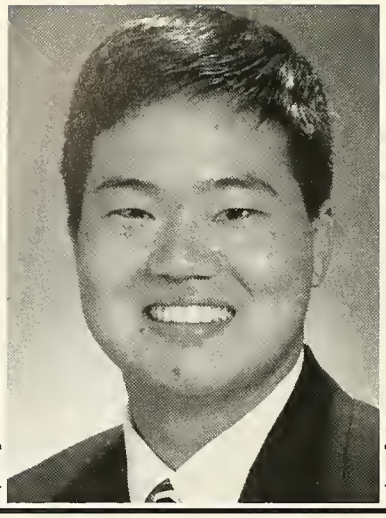

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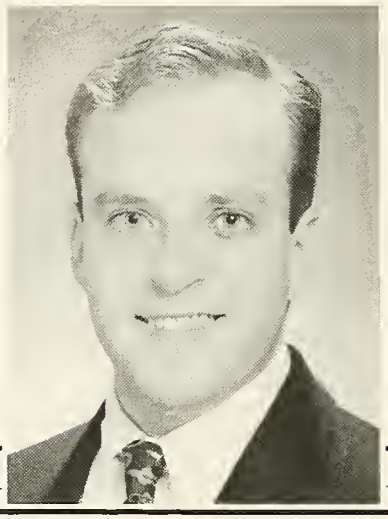

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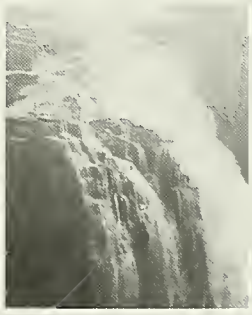

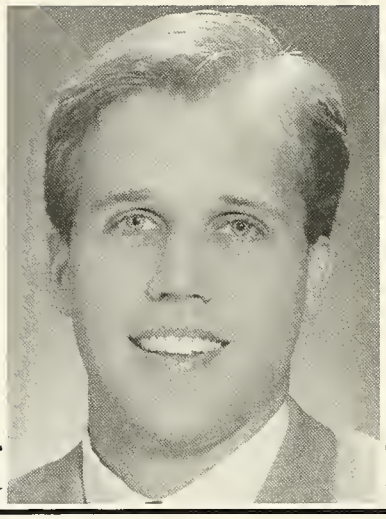

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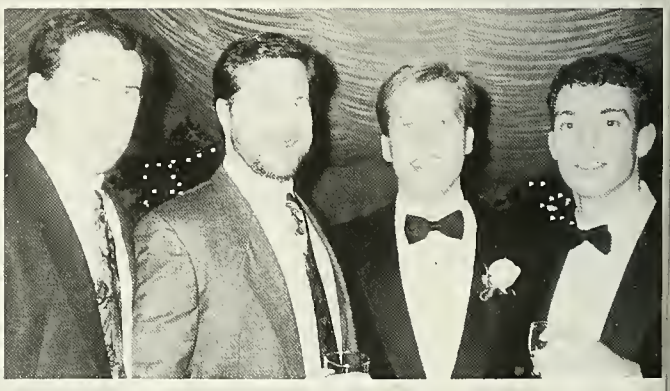

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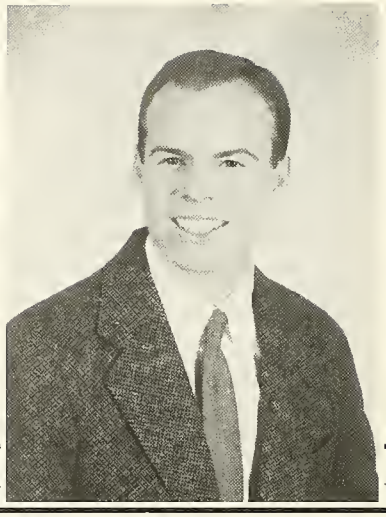

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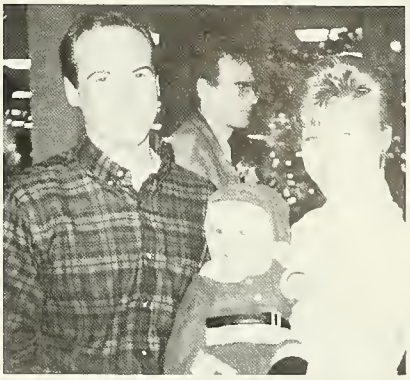

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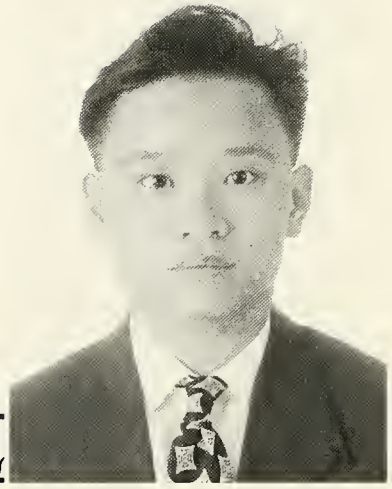

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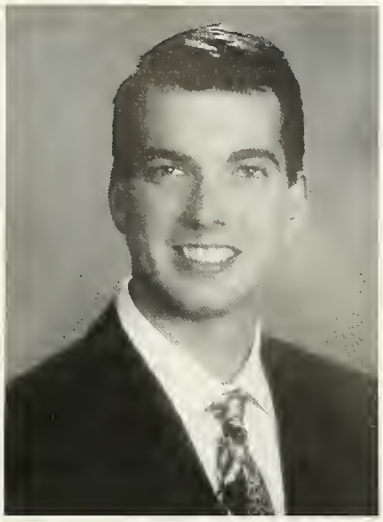

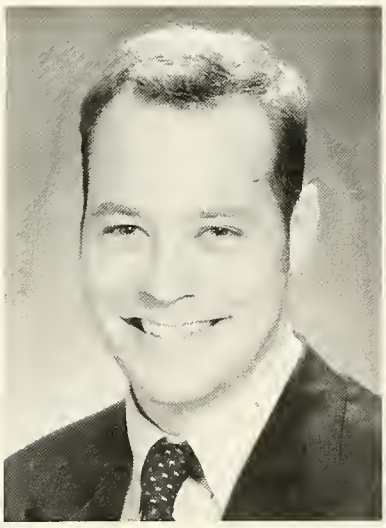

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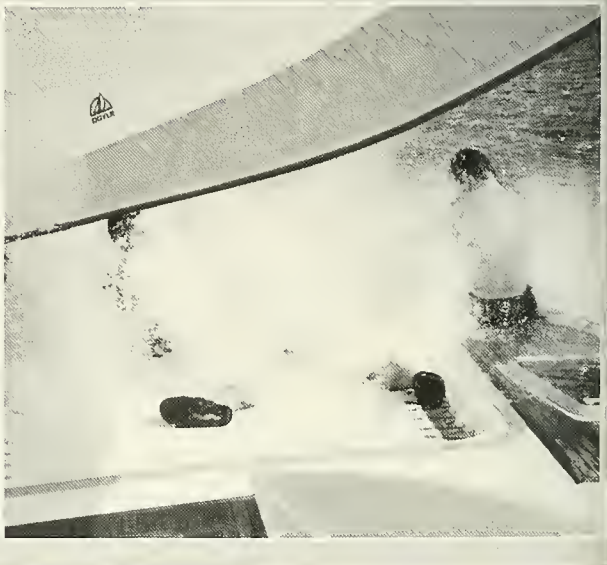

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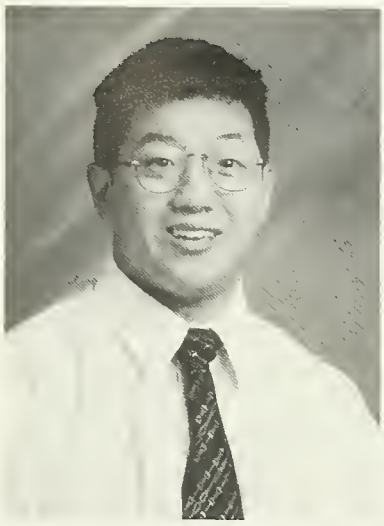

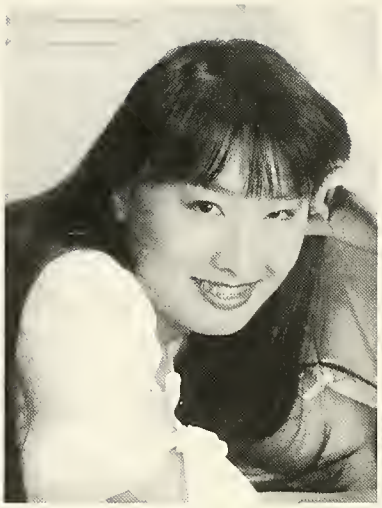

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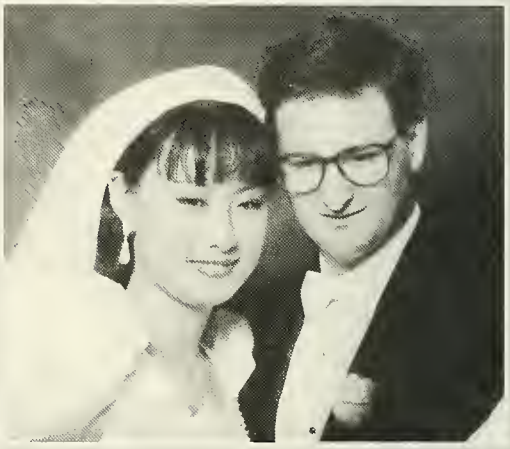

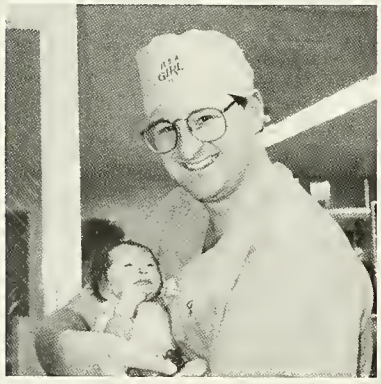

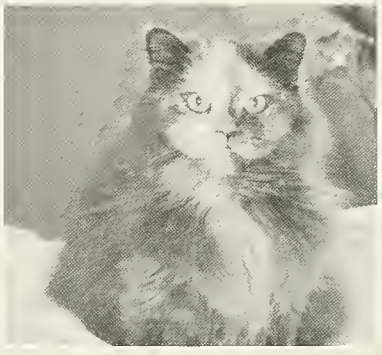

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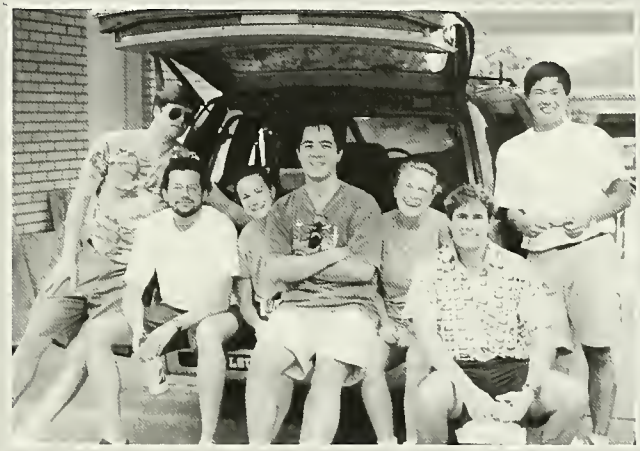

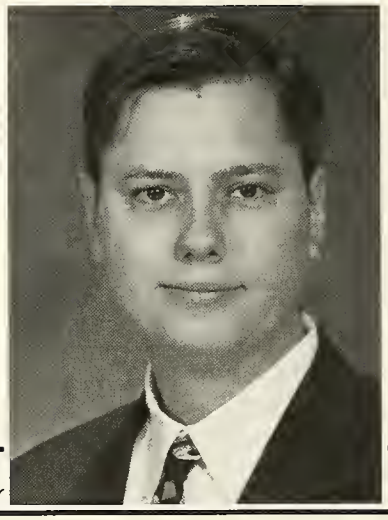

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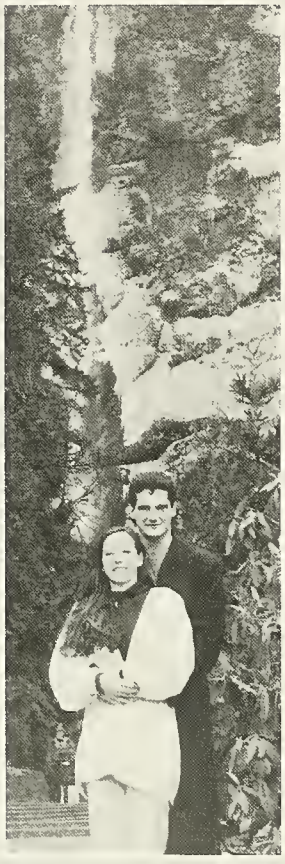

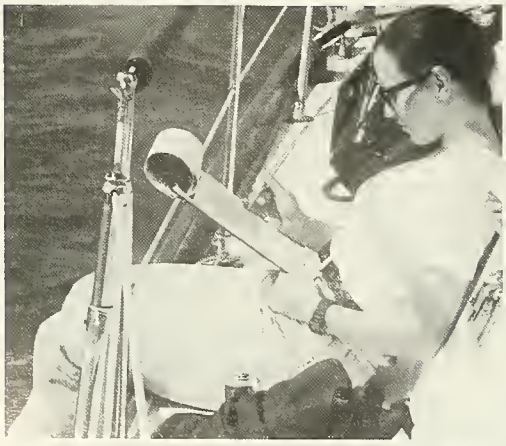

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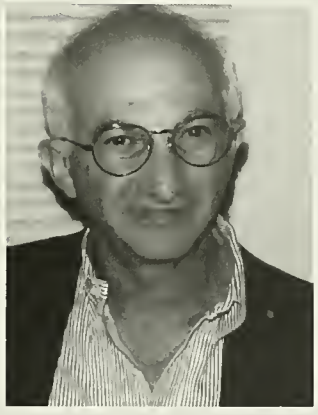

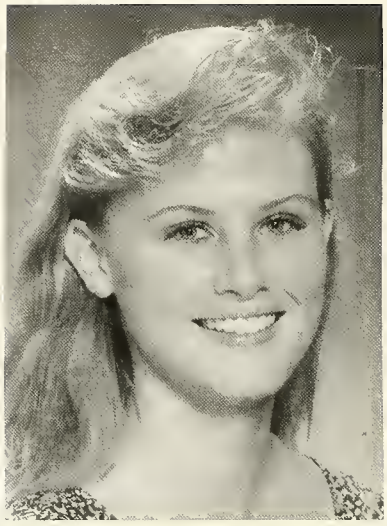

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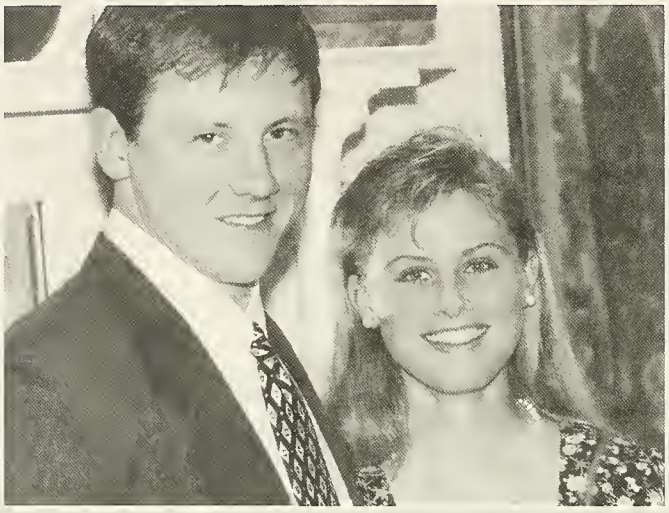

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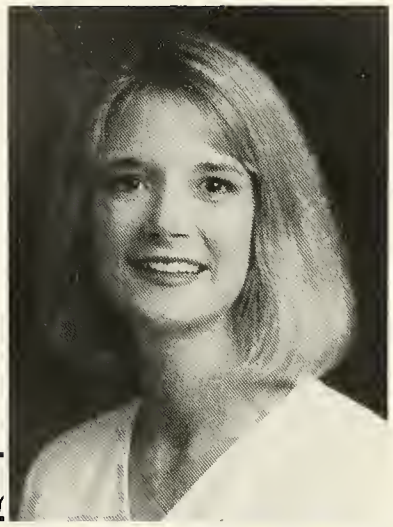
All that we send into the lives of others
Comes back into our own.
-Edwin Markham



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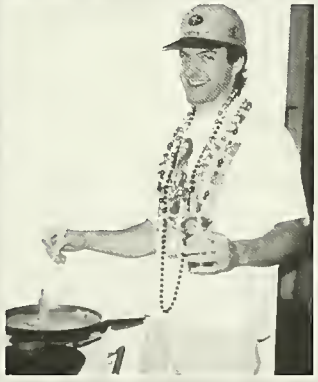

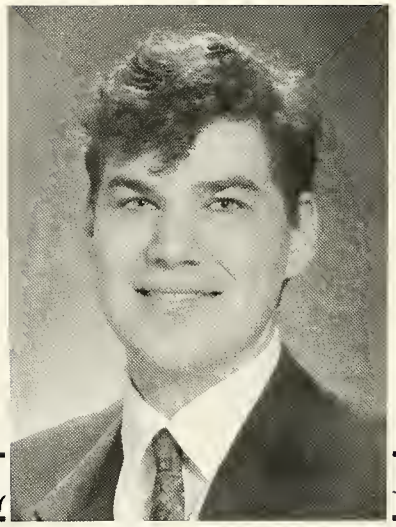

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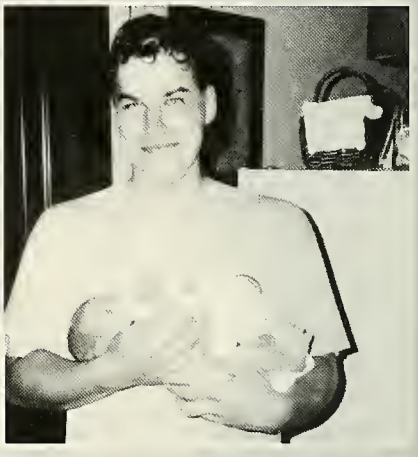

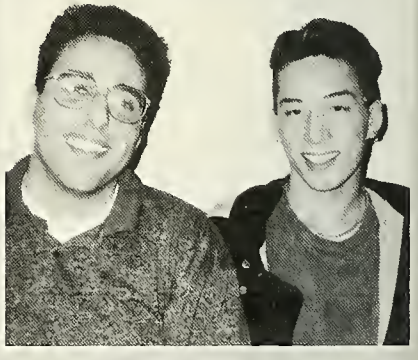

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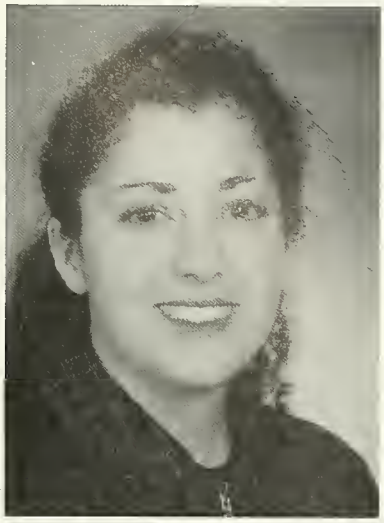

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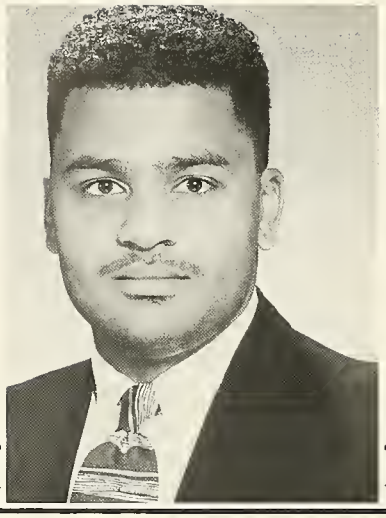

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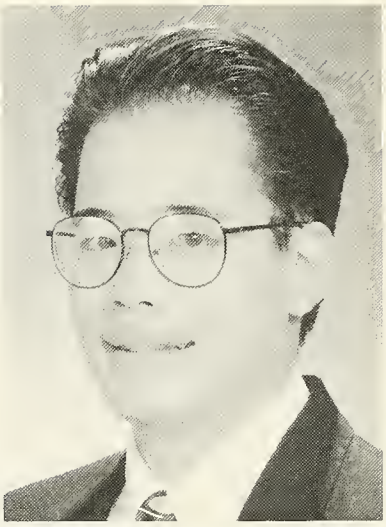

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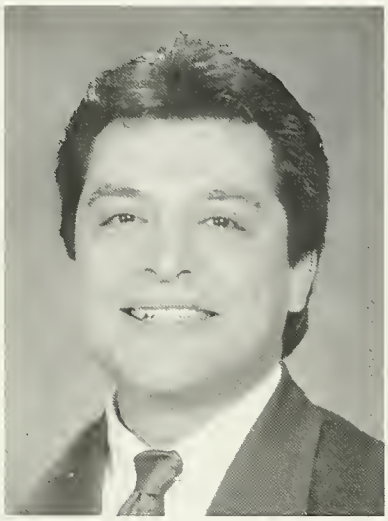

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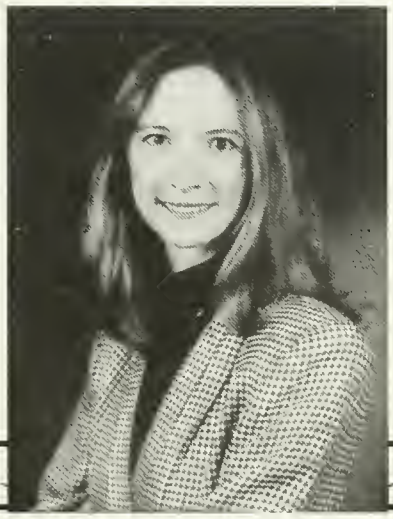

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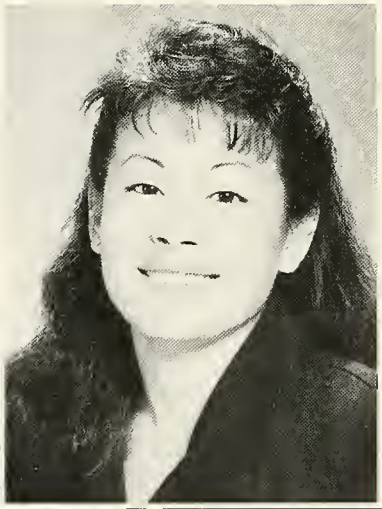

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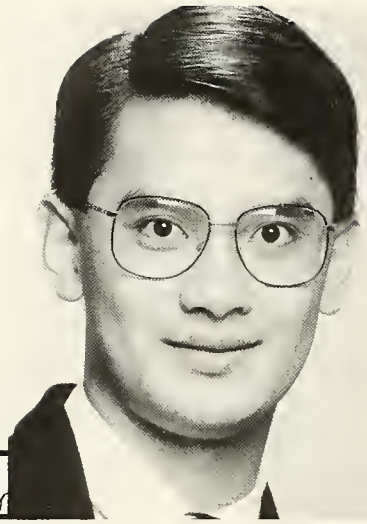
Can four years in the Deep South make a Yankee go straight? I pondered this question for months this year as I considered whether I should then risk further contortion by staying on at Tulane for residency. I needed to know if the essential Northerner was resistant to the fecund influences of our beloved New Orleans. Obvious mundane changes had clearly taken root early in my tenure - I call groups of people "y'all," I no longer fear for my life when a stranger on the street stops to "ax" me something, I know what okra and merliton are, and I think I even care about the fate of the Saints. Still, more fundamental and insidious changes may have taken place and required some careful reflection. Did I care, for instance, that Tulane's Phi Chi is STILL the only all male medical school fraternity in the nation, or that a decent proportion of my patients refer to me as "doctor honey?" More importantly, can I now wake up with a cup of cafe au lait of coffee and chicory in lieu of espresso and Vivaldi? I sat on my porch swing sipping an ice tea and chewing a Bandi along with my cud, until I recalled with horror a testimony to my conversion.

A few years back, I decided to change my residence to New Orleans and to then replace my Maine drivers license with one from Louisiana. Happy as a clam, I headed off to the Department of Motor Vehicles where I proceeded to wait six hours in the 90 degree hot-box before being told by my DMC nemesis that I would not be given a license without two utility bills proving that I had in fact resided in New Orleans for an agreed upon random period of time. I sulked home, changed the name under which the utility bills came from my roommate's to mine and returned to the DMV with the next issued bills two weeks later. By this time my car registration had expired and I could not replace it until I had a local drivers license (this rabbit of information chase ate 8 hours in a different, but equally pleasant DMV). I drove to the DMV in my unregistered vehicle and presented my information along with a dictated letter from my landlord certifying that I had indeed lived in my apartment for the random period of time required, and that I was basically a pretty good kid. The DMV was not impressed. I needed a social security card, and simply knowing the number was not good enough. I left with a pressure of 200/150 and headed towards the relevant federal office where I spent the day with a variety of lovely people and was finally told that there is no computer record of social security numbers and that my file would take about a month to process. I explained that I already had a number and I only needed a copy of a card and what is a file anyway, I thought, we had gone the way of the pterodactyl. All for naught, I was sent home to wait for another 3 weeks, during which time I collected a stack of tickets for driving an unregistered vehicle and thought a lot about the fact that I was [illegible] myself into a nervous breakdown for the dubious honor of being considered a Louisiana driver. When my social security card arrived [illegible] the copies of my bills, the letter from my landlord [illegible] cookies made by my mother to the DMV and presented myself again. "Do you wear glasses?" the official inquired. I answered that indeed I did, then was struck with the nauseating realization that I was without them. I then begged, pleaded for him to not test my vision as I was in such a hurry, I began to twitch and tears streamed down my face. "Don't worry baby," he assured me and generously and completely illegally documented my vision as 20/20. As a smile began to creep across my face and a sort of joy suffused my being, I realized with a bittersweet satisfaction that in my relief at having found a corrupt official, I had at last been infused with the true spirit of Louisiana.

But I still don't know what that Phi Chi thing is ☺



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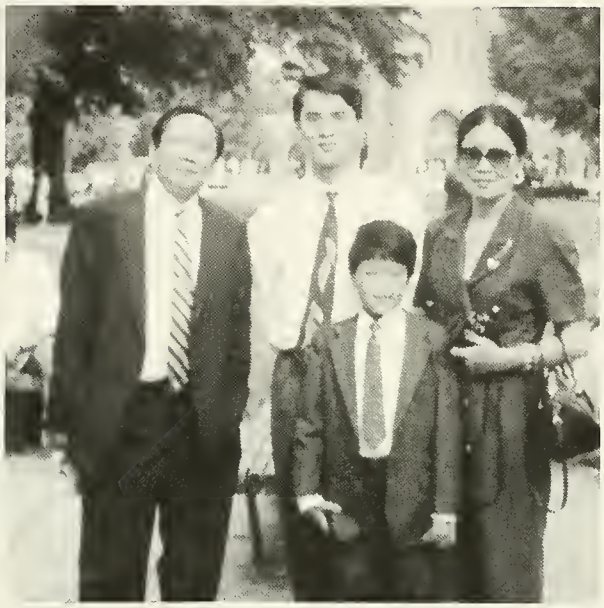

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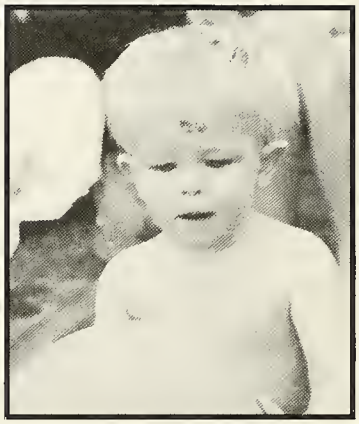

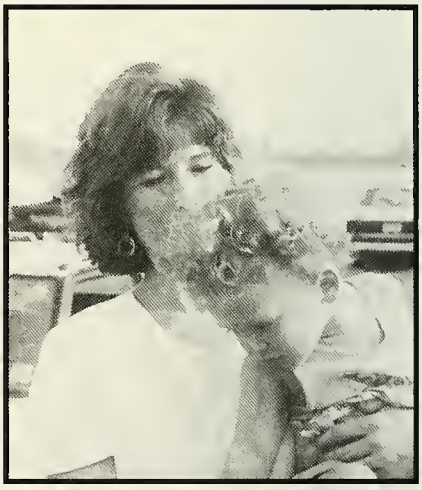

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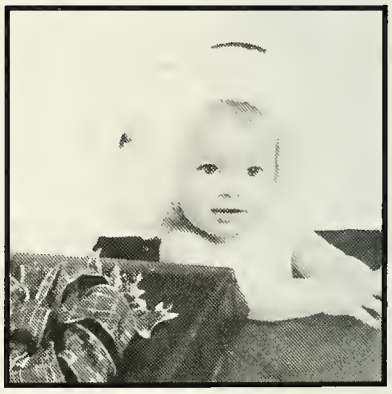

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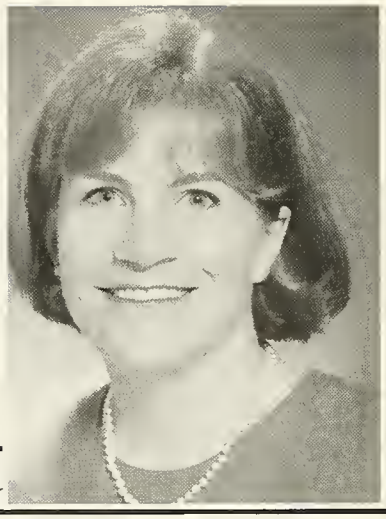

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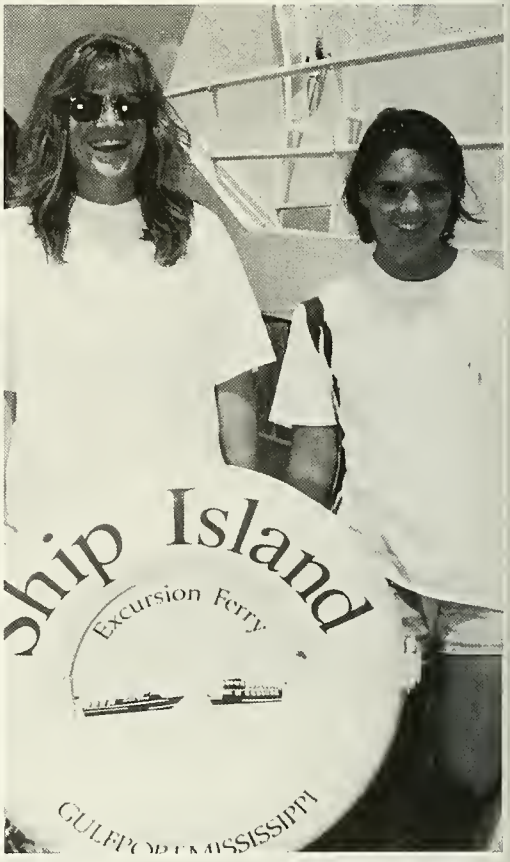

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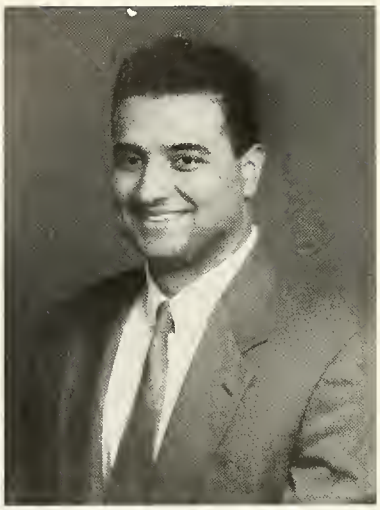

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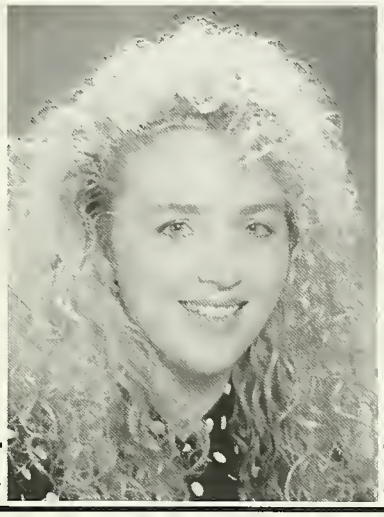

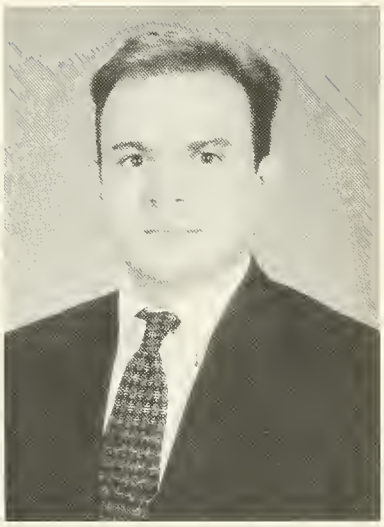

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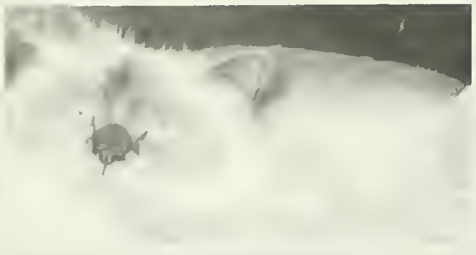

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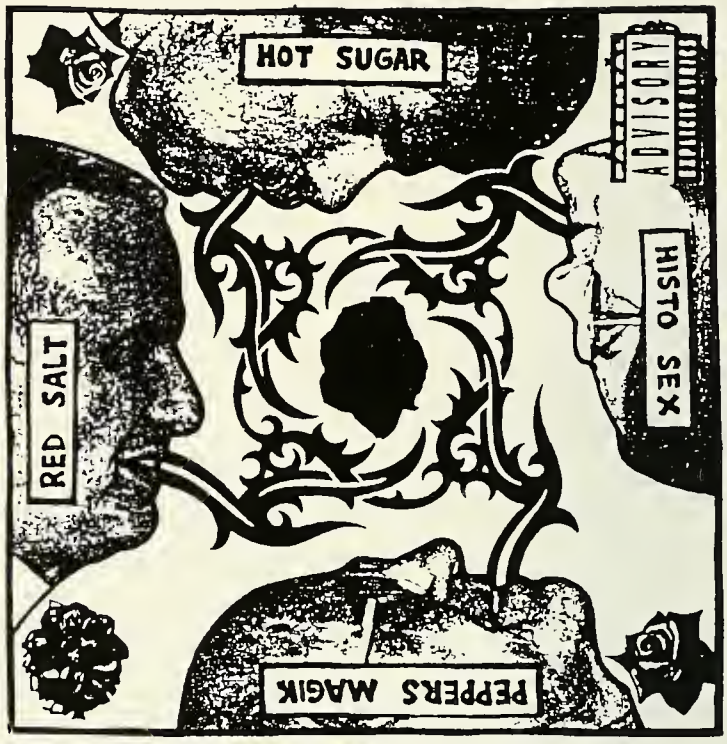


Top Ten Complaints of Tulane Medical Students

10. Missed free food at lunchtime talk - had to listen to speaker anyway.
9. Feedback from lecture hall microphone disturbs REM sleep.
8. Old undergraduate friends keep calling to talk about what a great time they're having.
7. Had to build exact replica of 7th floor lecture hall at home to cure insomnia problem.
6. Lost secret decoder ring that deciphers Dr. Cohen's lectures.
5. Despite months of looking stupid, unable to grow sideburns like Dr. Kirby's.
4. Nestor no longer single.
3. Proposal rejected to install 4000 slot machines in student lounge to cover tuition.
2. Life sucks.
1. Histo stool back.

Top Ten Reasons to Attend Tulane

10. Let kid brother fill out application form.
9. Couldn't get into a U.S. medical school.
8. Friends needed a place to stay for Mardi Gras.
7. Heard Paul Prudhomme was the chef in the medical school cafeteria.
6. Never met anyone from California before.
5. Special cashier in cafeteria for medical students.
4. Keg party in Tomlinson's office.
3. World renowned biochemistry department.
2. Needed to medicate genetic cayenne pepper deficiency.
1. FBI witness relocation program.

Appendix

Here are a few additions to the pathology text. They will be covered in depth in the 1993 pathology course.

Cohen's Aphasia: Lesions in the association cortex that produce an inability to talk in an organized manner. Symptoms include incoherent babble.

Ayettey's Syndrome: Characterized by severe atrophy of the brain. This highly contagious disease, endemic to Ghana, has recently been eradicated in North America.

Phlegm of Phelps: Transient. Characterized by low attention span and lung degeneration. May come and go many times within the course of a lab period.

Baricos Brain Lock: Psychological illness in which many contradicting beliefs may be held simultaneously. Incurable.

Neil Brown Personality Mutation: A rapid process. Sex-linked.

Genetic Caffiene Deficiency: An autosomal dominant disease particularly prevalent in certain oppressed ethnic groups such as medical students.

Hills Babies: Offspring found in jars on third floor. Results from holding laser pointer to close to gonads.

Rodenhauser Rash: An allergic skin reaction provoked by prolonged exposure to gray dye.

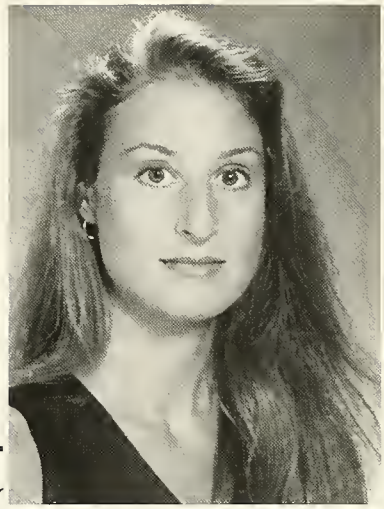
Neuro Information Storage Deficiency: A seasonal disorder that often appears in early March.

"7th Floor Syndrome": Exaggerated lumbar and thoracic curvatures of the spine, failing vision, and vitamin D deficiency. May have some narcoleptic symptoms.

Histology Hallucinations: A form of group hypnosis in which large populations experience predetermined visual hallucinations which they are tested on.

Viral Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder: Affects the same populations as "7th Floor Syndrome". Resides in dorsal root ganglion cells and reappears periodically.

Fuliginettectomy: Inflamed organs removed and transported to higher altitude.



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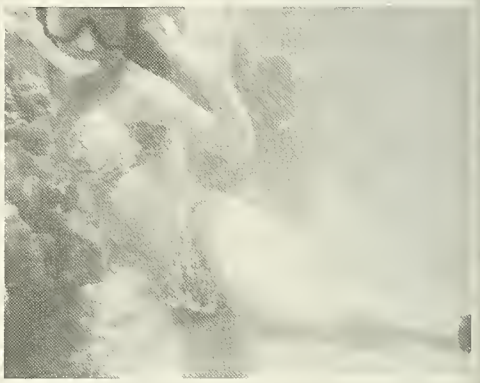

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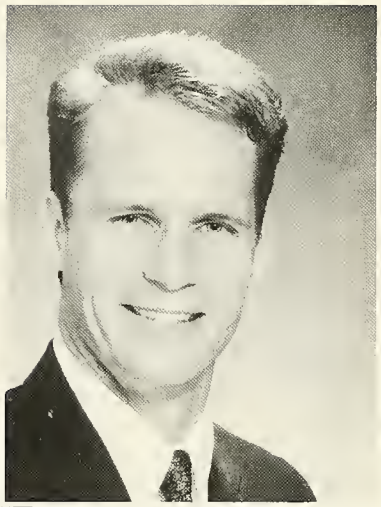

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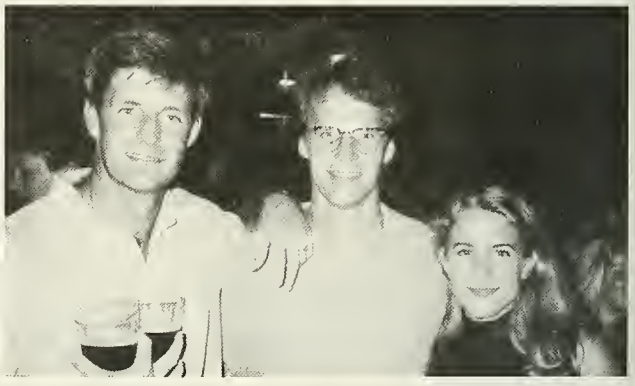

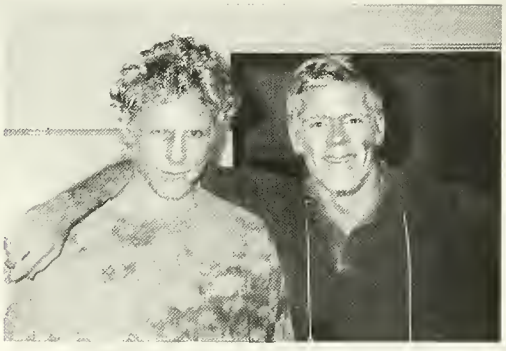

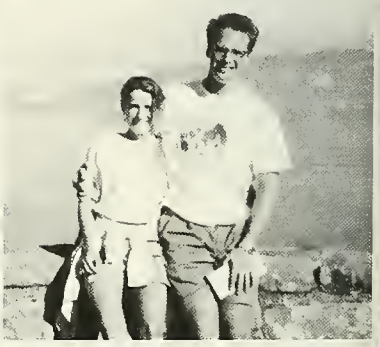

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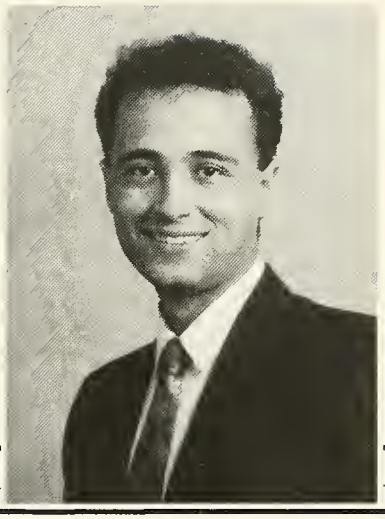

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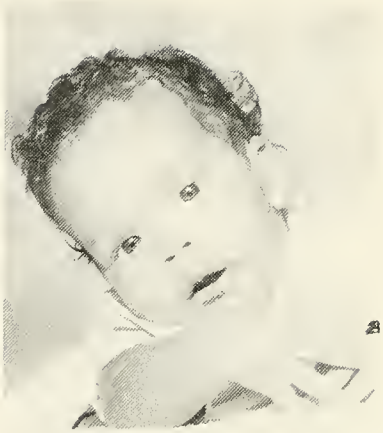

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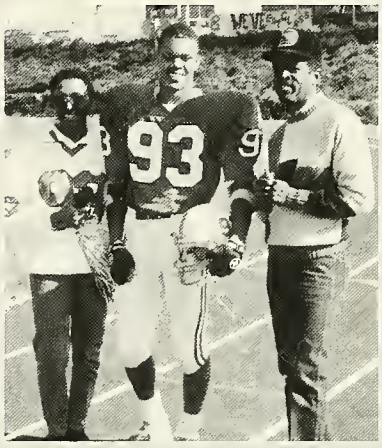

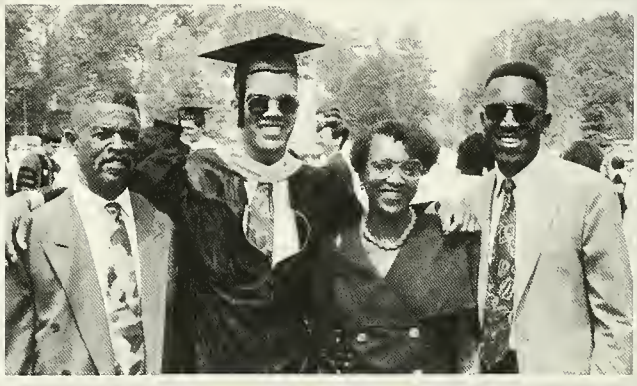

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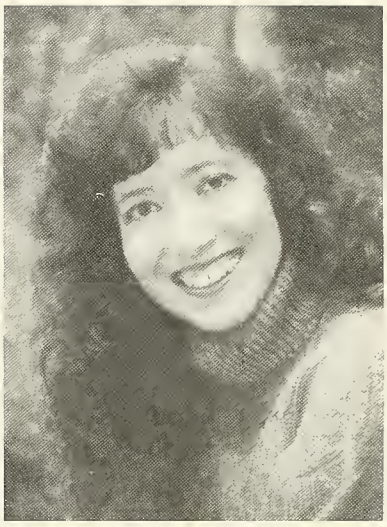

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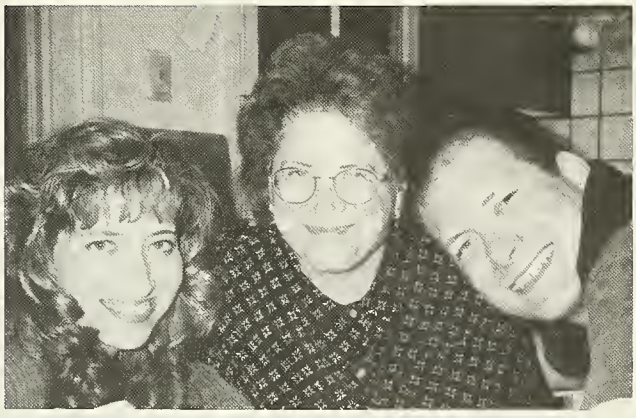

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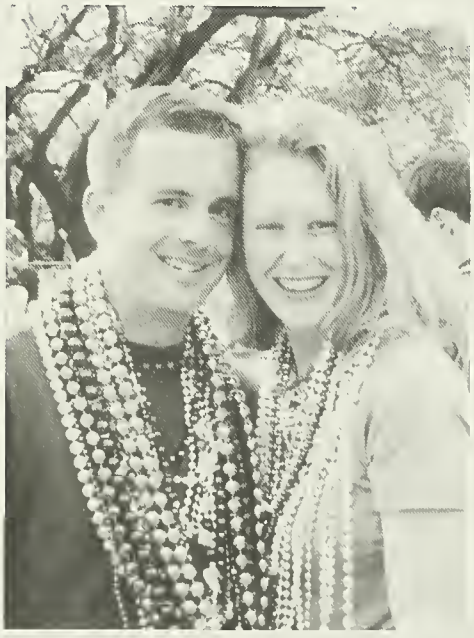

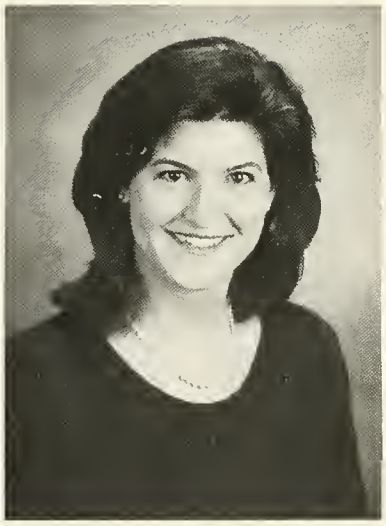

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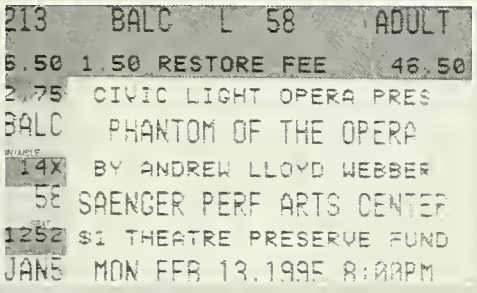

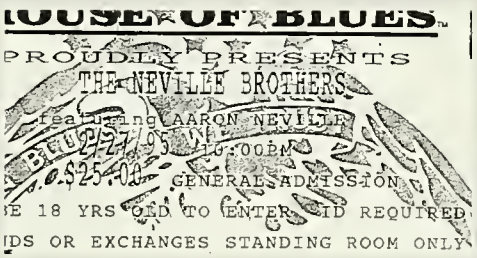

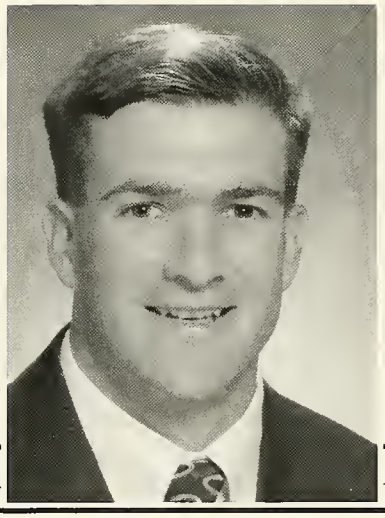

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EXCERPTS FROM...

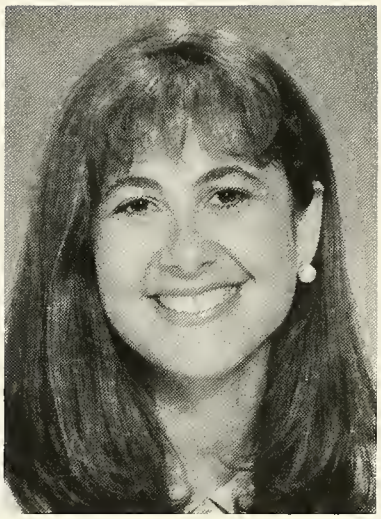
THE HOUSE OF GOD

BY SAMUEL SHEM

LAWS OF THE HOUSE OF GOD

I. GOMERS DON'T DIE.
II. GOMERS GO TO GROUND.
III. AT A CARDIAC ARREST, THE FIRST PROCEDURE IS TO TAKE YOUR OWN PULSE.
IV. THE PATIENT IS THE ONE WITH THE DISEASE.
V. PLACEMENT COMES FIRST.
VI. THERE IS NO BODY CAVITY THAT CANNOT BE REACHED WITH A #14 NEEDLE AND A GOOD STRONG ARM.
VII. AGE + BUN = LASIX DOSE.
VIII. THEY CAN ALWAYS HURT YOU MORE.
IX. THE ONLY GOOD ADMISSION IS A DEAD ADMISSION.
X. IF YOU DON'T TAKE A TEMPERATURE, YOU CAN'T FIND A FEVER.
XI. SHOW ME A BMS WHO ONLY TRIPLES MY WORK AND I WILL KISS HIS FEET.
XII. IF THE RADIOLOGY RESIDENT AND THE BMS BOTH SEE A LESION ON A CHEST X-RAY, THERE CAN BE NO LESION THERE.
XIII. THE DELIVERY OF MEDICAL CARE IS TO DO AS MUCH NOTHING AS POSSIBLE.

SPECIALTY	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
RAYS	$$	Gomers. Dark offices, narcolepsy. Damaged: gonads; 8-fingered progeny. Barium enemas and bowel runs.
GAS	$$	Gomers. Boredom punctured by panic. Astronomical malpractice premiums. Noxious gases, producing bizarre personalities. Contempt, daily, of surgeons.
PATH	No live bodies. Low malpractice premiums.	Gomers (rare). Dead bodies. Smell of dead bodies and formalin-type picklers. Basement office. Contempt, daily, of all but other pathologists.
DERM	$$ Travel to sunny conventions. Naked skin - attraction.	Gomers. Contagion. Naked skin - repulsion.
OPHTHO	Astronomical $$ Opportunity, daily, to torment GAS	Gomers. Astronomical malpractice premiums. Surgical internship required. Occasional patient care.
PSYCH	NO GOMERS! Never touch bodies except in sex-surrogate therapies. Voyeurism, perversion, eroticism, autoeroticism, polyeroticism. Easy on feet. Long lunch hours. Cure - alleged. (many others).	Hourly wage. Hard on lumbar spine. Multiple accusations from right-wingers, cf. 'communist', 'queer', 'pervert'. Contempt, daily, of other doctors except when they are in therapy.



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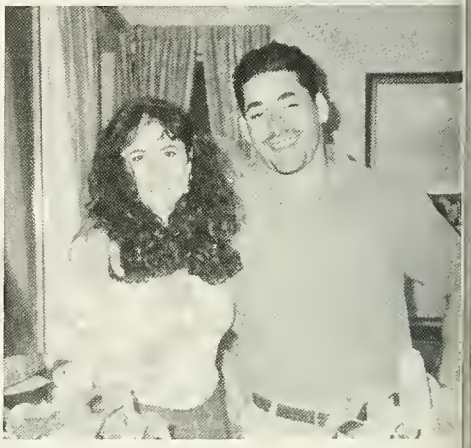

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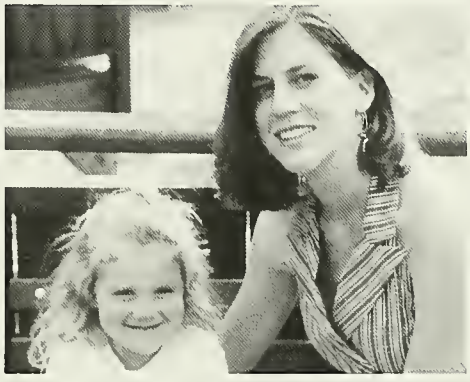

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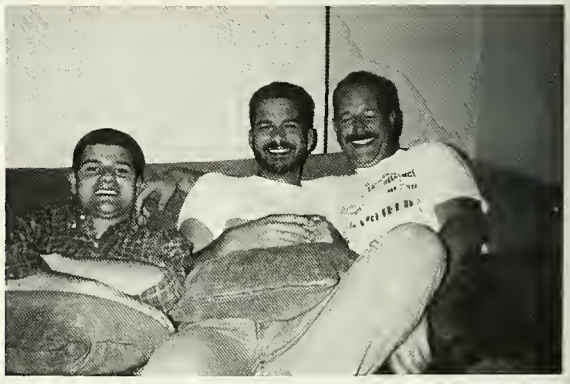

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To my parents,

I want to say
thank you.

Without your love
and support,
I would not be here.

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CHARITY-ESE

Bad blood ..... Syphilis
High blood ..... Hypertension
Low blood ..... Anemia
Sugar blood ..... Diabetes mellitus
Yellow blood ..... Jaundice
"I got short" ..... Dyspnea
"Problems with my nature" ..... Impotence
Fireballs of the Eucharist ..... Uterine fibroids
Virginia ..... Vagina
Cadillacs of the eyes ..... Cataracts
Sick-as-hell anemia ..... Sickle-cell anemia
De roaches of de liver ..... Cirrhosis
Smilin' mighty Jesus ..... Spinal meningitis
Technical shot ..... Tetanus shot
Tecknus ..... Tetanus
Indian fire ..... Impetigo
Two buffaloes of the lungs ..... Tuberculosis
Very close veins ..... Varicose veins
Flea bites ..... Phlebitis
Peanut butter balls ..... Phenobarbital
Vomicking ..... Vomiting
Clogs ..... Blood clots
Contraptions ..... Contractions
Trash in the throat ..... Thrush
Adrian flutter ..... Atrial flutter
Attack-acordia ..... Tachycardia
Tacky cards ..... Tachycardia
Subscriptions ..... Prescriptions

MEDICAL DICTIONARY FOR THE HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR

Antigen ..... Uncle Jim's wife
Artery ..... The study of paintings
Bacteria ..... The back door of a cafeteria
Barium ..... What doctors do when patients die
Benign ..... What you are after you be eight
Bowel ..... A letter like a, e, i, o, u
Cat Scan ..... Searching for Kitty Kitty
Cauterize ..... Made eye contact with her
Centigrade ..... Mailed test scores
Cesarean Section ..... A neighborhood in Rome
Cirrhosis ..... An English knight
Coccyx ..... An ill rooster
Colic ..... A sheep dog
Coma ..... A punctuation mark
Congenital ..... Friendly
Cryosurgery ..... Weeping after an operation
Cystogram ..... A message sent to your sister
D & C ..... Where Washington is
Dilate ..... To live long
Enema ..... Not a friend
Erogenous ..... Inaccurate
Fester ..... Quicker
Forceps ..... A pair of biceps
Genital ..... Not a Jew
GI Series ..... Soldier baseball game
Hangnail ..... Coat hook
Heart ..... Not soft
Hygiene ..... A greeting to Gene
Impotent ..... Distinguished, well known
Intern ..... The order in which doctors see patients
Iris ..... The organization that collects taxes
Jugular ..... A circus performer
Kidney ..... A baby goat's leg joint
Labor Pain ..... Getting hurt at work
Medical Staff ..... A doctor's cane
Morbid ..... A higher offer
Nitrates ..... Cheaper than day rates
Node ..... Was aware of
Outpatient ..... A person who fainted
Palsy ..... Getting very friendly
Pap Smear ..... A fatherhood test
Pelvis ..... A cousin of Elvis
Phlebotomy ..... A flea on the buttocks
Pigment ..... What Miss Piggy meant
Postoperative ..... A letter carrier
Protein ..... In favor of young people
Recovery Room ..... A place to do upholstery
Rectum ..... Dang near killed him
Seizure ..... Roman emperor
Tablet ..... A small table
Testicles ..... An exam that makes you laugh
Tibia ..... Abbreviation for "To be a"
Tumor ..... An extra pair
Urine ..... Opposite of you're out
Varicose ..... Nearby
Vertigo ..... What a lost child doesn't know

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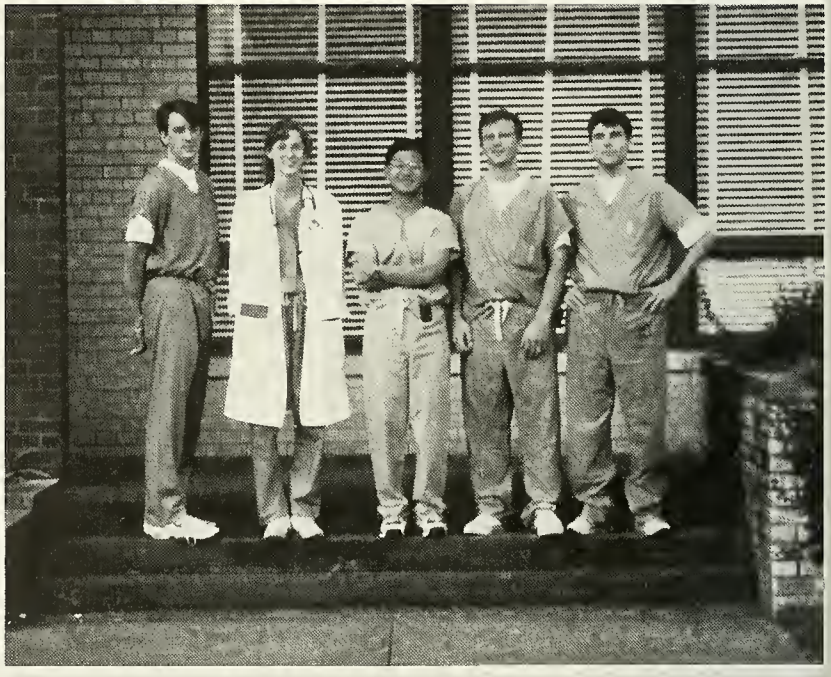

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MORE EXCERPTS FROM THE CADAVER BALL PROGRAM...

Multiple Choice - Choose the correct answer

1. Which of the following did not happen to Dr. Ayettey on his return to Ghana?
   a) arrested by customs police for smuggling hot computer.
   b) wiped out half of West Africa with Ebola New Orleans virus.
   c) woke up during the flight home with a dry mouth and realized he lost his salvation.
   d) plane disappeared over posterior bermudal triangle.

2. Dr. Rodenhauser's favorite color is:
   a) red
   b) yellow
   c) blue
   d) all of the above

3. Why is Dr. Hamori teaching in America?
   a) exiled from Russia after failed coup attempt.
   b) was a very "eager" child.
   c) on a secret mission from KGB to confuse young, capitalistic, imperialist minds.
   d) visa to Transylvania was denied.

4. Dr. Hill suffers from myeloencephaloaeraniocephaly. Which of the following symptoms would you expect to observe?
   a) tendency to be nonspecific in his specific definition of specificity.
   b) pretzel shaped aorta.
   c) strange feeling of swimming in a jar of formaldehyde.
   d) visual spectrum limited to blond wavelengths.

5. Which of the following does Dr. Kirby grow on his farm?
   a) corn
   b) wheat
   c) barley
   d) rhubarb
   e) sideburns

6. Dr. Yates' fondest memory of childhood is:
   a) the good ole 8 year old stream.
   b) playing that favorite blues 45 "There's One" on his broken record player.
   c) the redhead next door.
   d) gone.

7. Which of the following was Dr. Harlan's former job?
   a) casino greeter
   b) joke writer for David Letterman
   c) advance scout for alien invasion force
   d) stunt double for Weird Al Yankovich

8. Neuroanatomy is:
   a) about as much fun as drinking a cup of broken glass.
   b) a secret government experiment researching ways to break the morale of enemy soldiers.
   c) only made bearable by Dr. Kreisman's hysterical antics and wacky gags.
   d) of absolutely no use in attracting members of the opposite sex.

9. Dr. Anderson's favorite outfit consists of (choose all that apply):
   a) Wonder Woman underoos.
   b) leather socks (only).
   c) bow ties.
   d) American flag bodysuit.

Noteset Gems
(Match each quote with quoter)

A. "...but was forced to flee Padua for fear of being burned at the *steak*... perhaps we will never face the threat of being burned at the *steak*.
B. "*Bare* with me..."
C. "The *different* points on the trace represent *different* moments during excitation of the heart and they appear *differently* because of the spread of the electrical activity to the *different* parts of the heart at *different* instances.
D. "Type foer collagen..."
E. "Farting mice..."
F. "In this it has a nucleus, and up to here it is capable of dividing transient... can give rise to this or to another type of these, and this is what dividing transient is."
G. "Add 1/4 teaspoon of "basil ganglion".

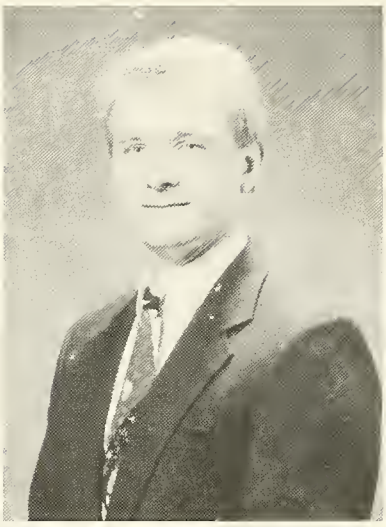
..... Neil Canby
..... Michelle Zerwas
..... Mateen Aliniazee
..... Christine Medora
..... Scott Benjamin
..... Linda Shapiro
..... Molly Courtright
..... Meredith Sagan-Whitney

Match the Faculty Member with Secret Identity

A. Curious George ..... Dr. Kirby
B. Sasquatch ..... Dr. Baricos
C. Dracula ..... Dr. Cohen
D. Mel Brooks ..... Dr. Harlan
E. Michael Dukakis ..... Dr. Stjernholm
F. Albert Einstein / Mark Twain hybrid ..... Dr. Hamori

Madame Cusick's Crystal Ball

I see a man with wild long gray hair, sitting lotus style in a dimly lit cave, preaching to the wind on the woes of being tardy. I can just make out his words... "See nature spewing and frothing, its mad spermatic bubbles endlessly spilling out and smashing in that inhuman round of waste, rot , and carnage. From the jammed glassy cells of sea roe to the feathery spores poured into the air from bursting green pods, the first years are a festering hornet's nest of aggression and overkill." There is a bright flash - the ball becomes cloudy- wait! Upon a sudden I have a new vision, there are many books, the image reminds me of the lower level of a familiar library. I see a small dingy corner room with a video recorder and two distinguished moustached men, a six pack of beer hanging from their greedy claws. There is an image on a television screen in the room... I hear voices - voices I say - "Joe, put in the pelvic exam videotape, I'm bored of the breast exam." "But Joe, I've already seen the pelvic exam tape twenty times!" "Ah, hell, forget it, let's go to Joe's." The two men walk off; the image fades... There is a large metal box in a hallway, a closet of sorts, with a sign - I can just make it out - "Property of Rodney Sparks." What's this! My ball is vibrating, there is some sort of pounding, boogie woogie beat emanating from the closet. A lowly student approaches the box. He asks, "Does the chordae tympani nerve provide taste?" A booming voice bursts out in synchrony with the opening of the closet doors, revealing a man with baseball bat cocked to the side, black leather pants, and a large gold nameplate reading "SPARKY D" - "YO YO, what's happenin' little anatomy buddy, you don't have to know that, YO, let's rap - you know MAN!".



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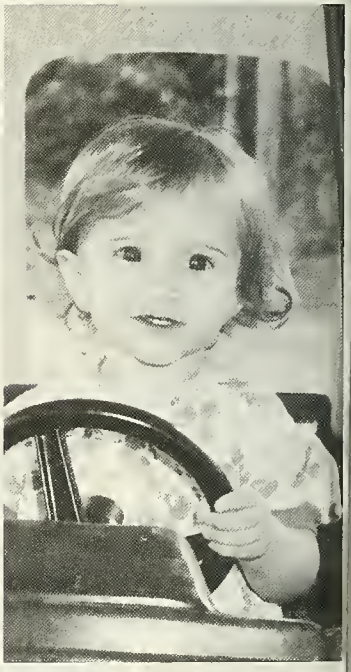

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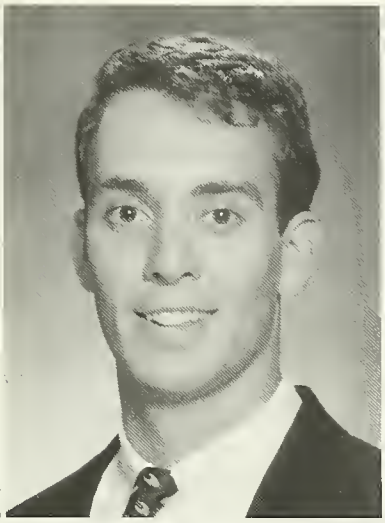

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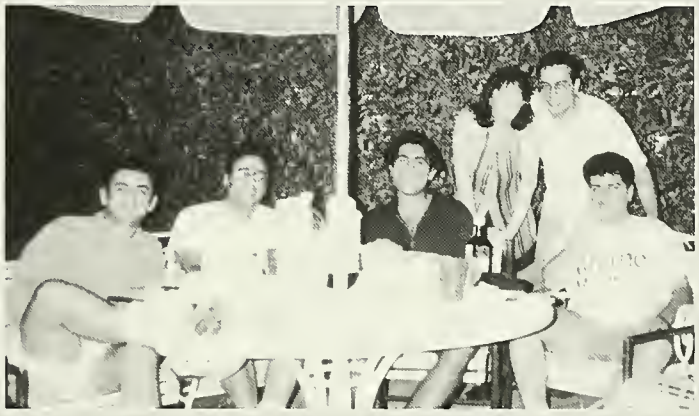

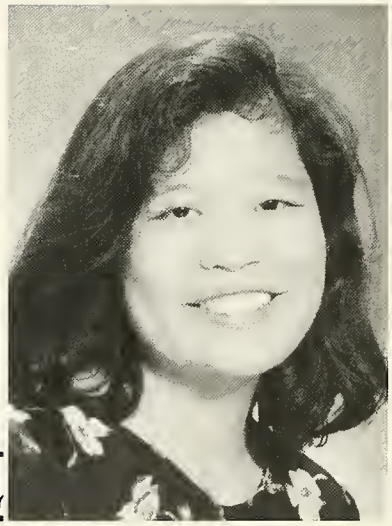

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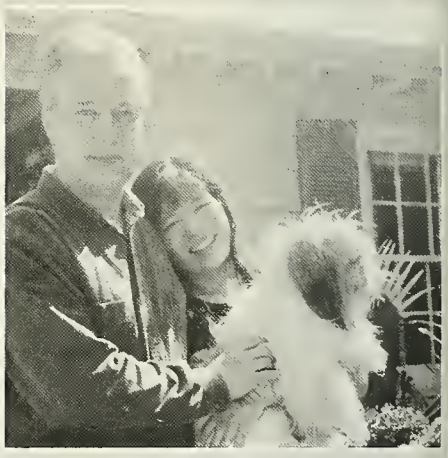

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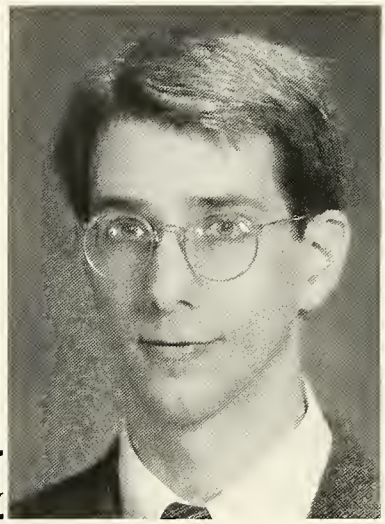

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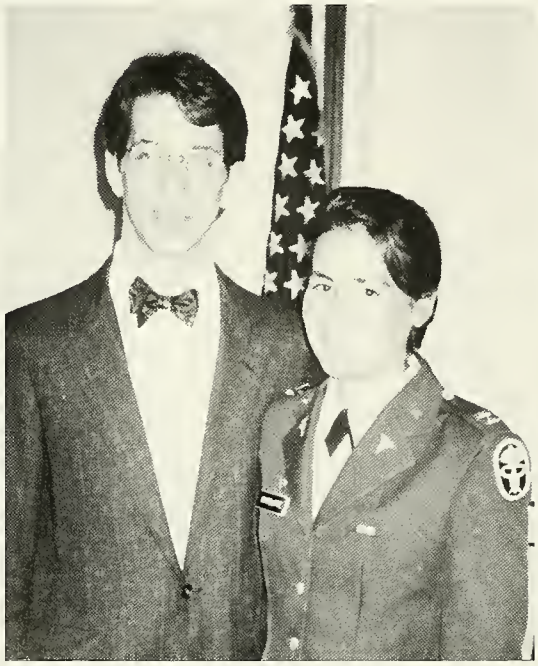

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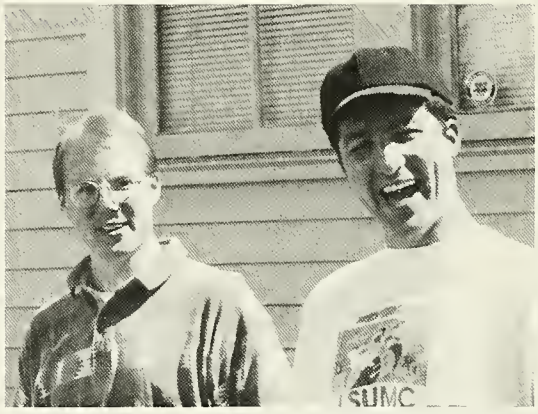

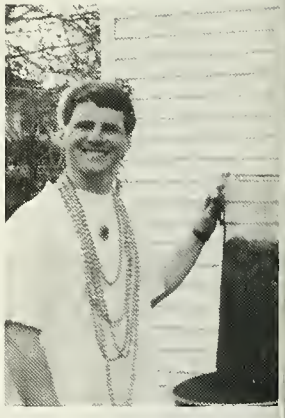

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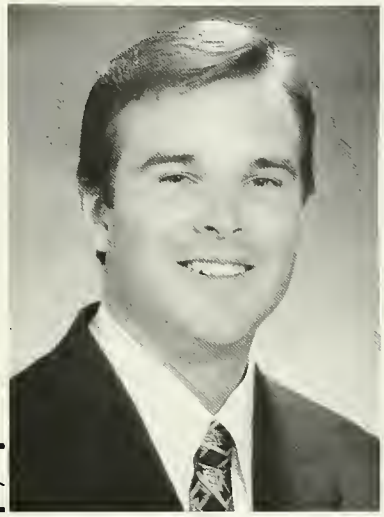

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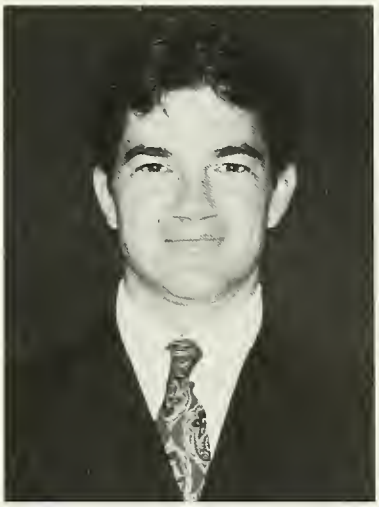

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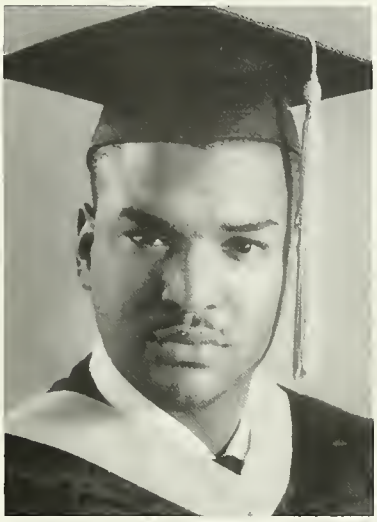

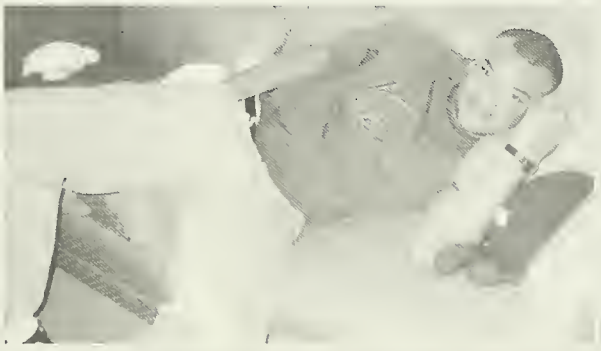

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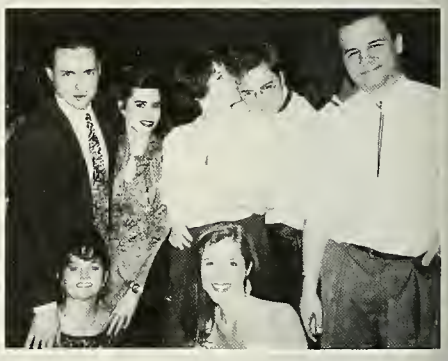

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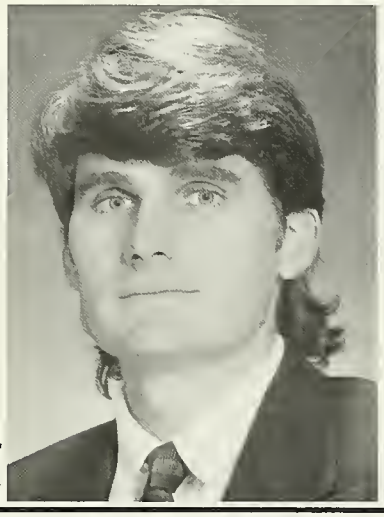

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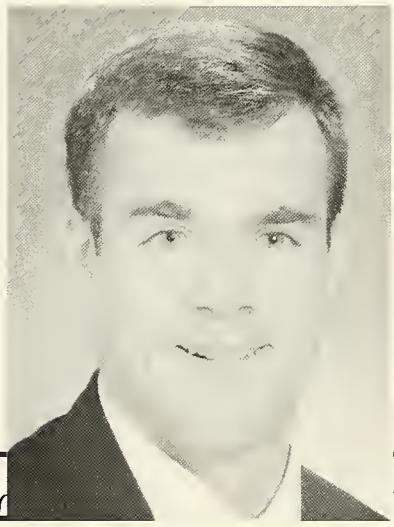

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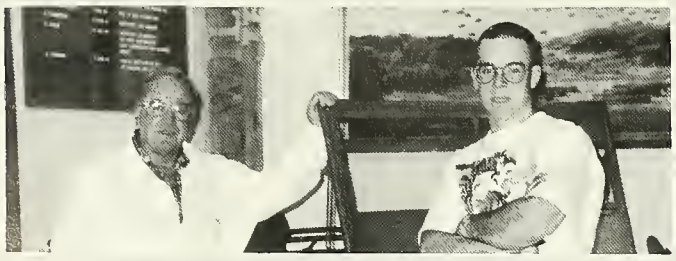

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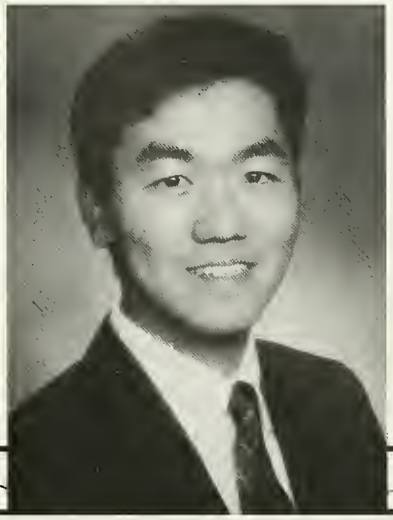

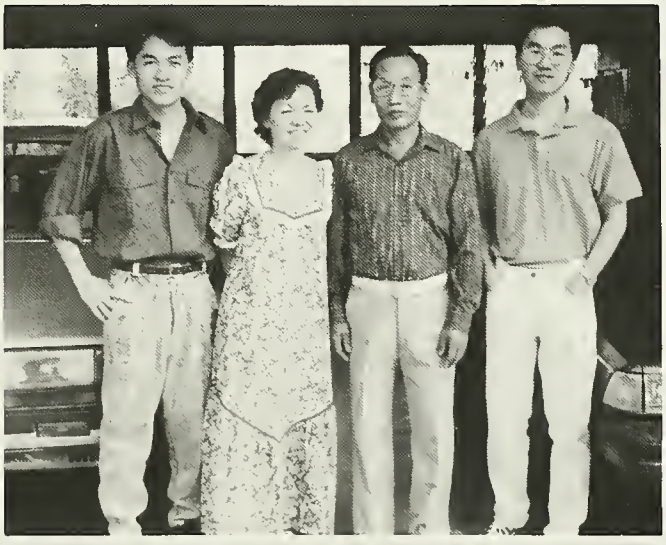

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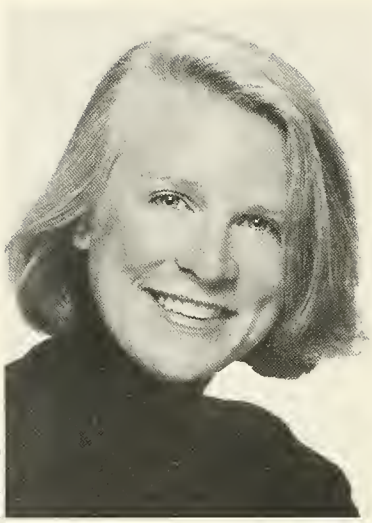

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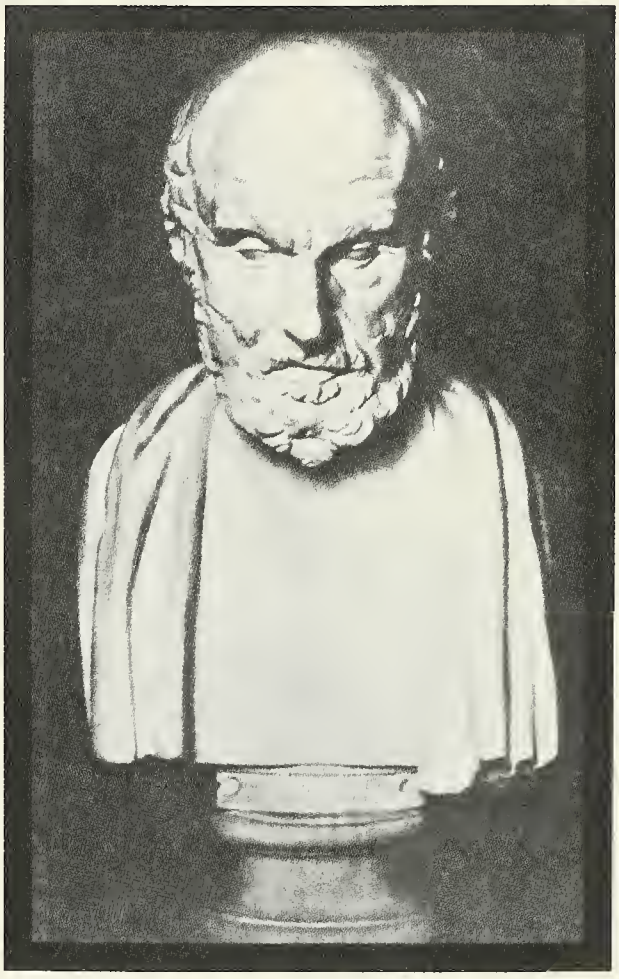

The Oath of Hippocrates

I swear by Apollo the physician, Aesculapius, Hygieia, and Panacea, and by God and by whatever I hold most sacred, that, according to my ability and judgment, I will keep this Oath and this stipulation -- I will look upon those who shall have taught me this Art even as one of my parents.

I will share my substance with them, and I will supply their necessities if they be in need.

I will regard their offspring on the same footing as my own brethren, and I will teach them this art, if they shall wish to learn it, without fee or covenant.

I will impart a knowledge of the Art by precept, by lecture, and by every mode of teaching not only to my own children but to the children of those who have taught me, and to disciples bound by covenant and oath, according to the Law of Medicine, but to none other.

The regimen I adopt shall be for the benefit of my patients according to my ability and judgment and I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous.

I will seek to inform my patients fully about their illness and prognosis, and will always remember that the final decision regarding their own life rests with the patient.

I will regard my patients always as fellow human beings and will do everything possible to preserve their dignity.

With purity and with holiness I will pass my life and practice my Art.

Whatsoever things I see or hear concerning the life of the people in my attendance, on the sick or even apart therefrom, which ought not to be noised abroad, I will keep silence thereon, counting such things to be sacred secrets.

While I continue to keep this Oath unviolated, may it be granted to me to enjoy life and the practice of the Art, respected by all, in all times.

But should I trespass and violate this Oath, may the reverse be my lot.

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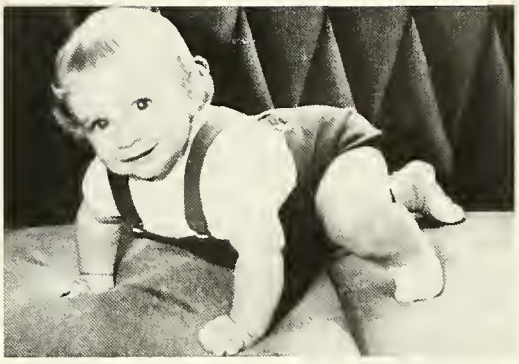

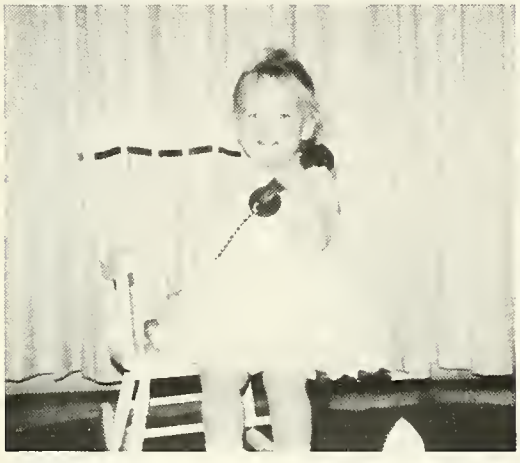

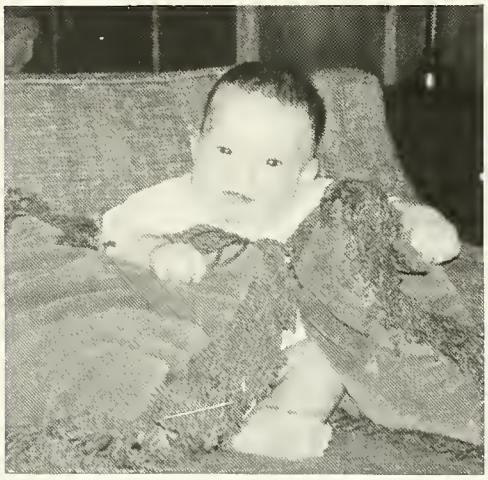

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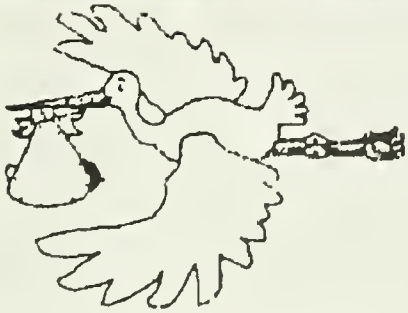

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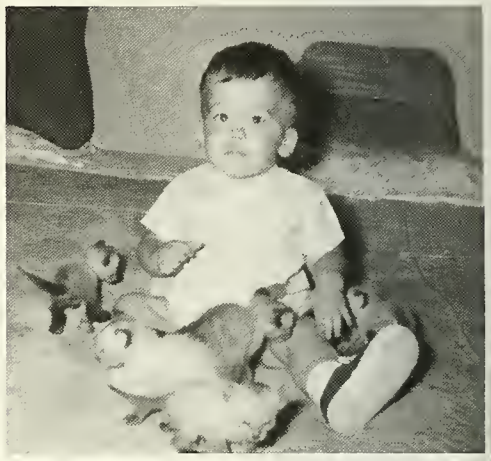

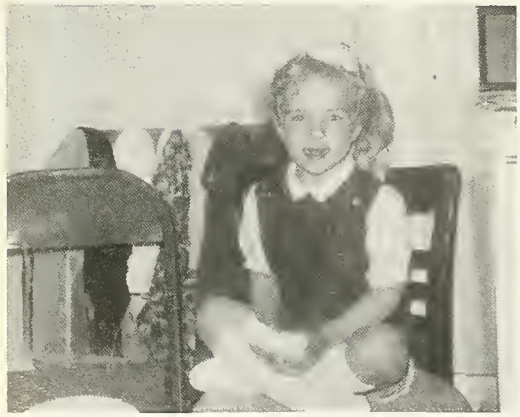

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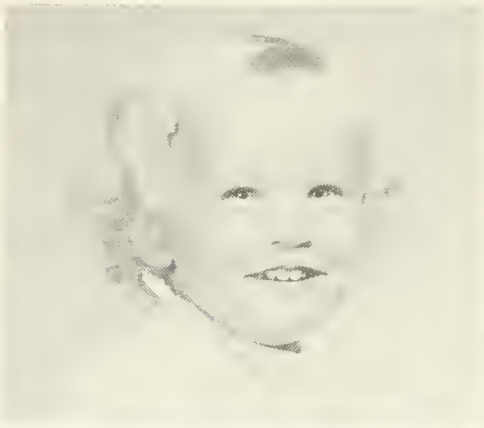

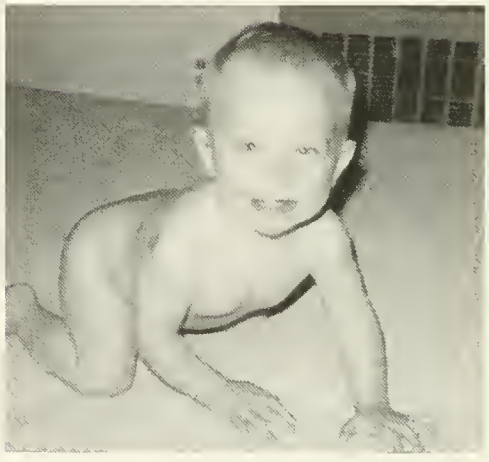

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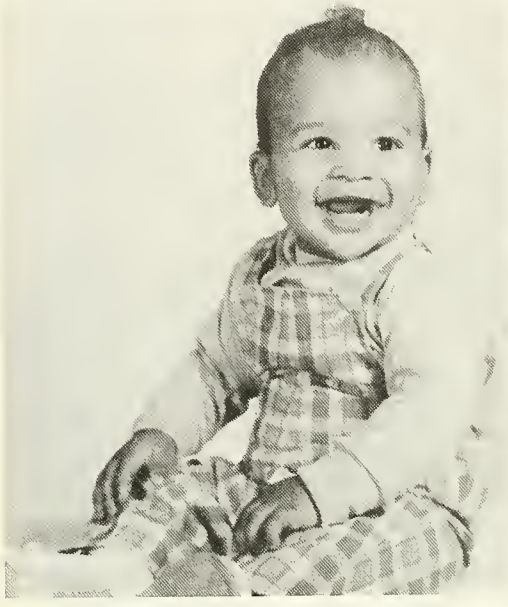

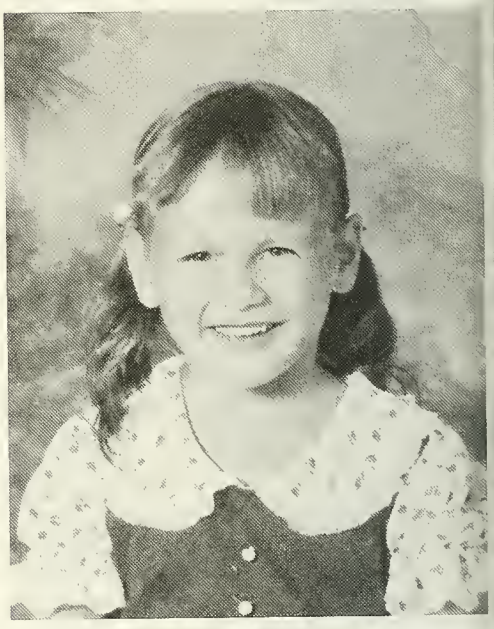

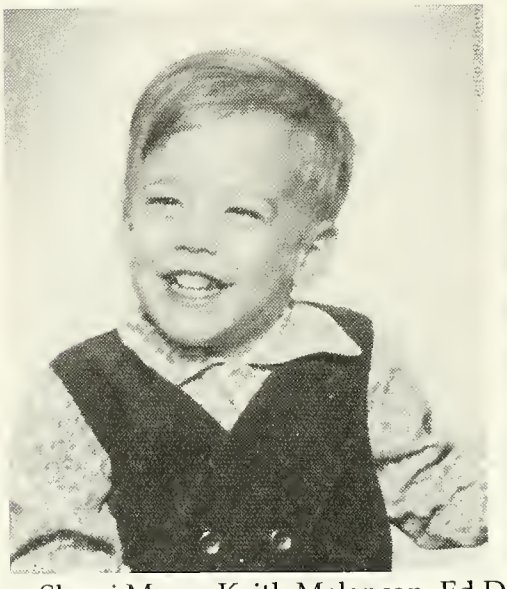

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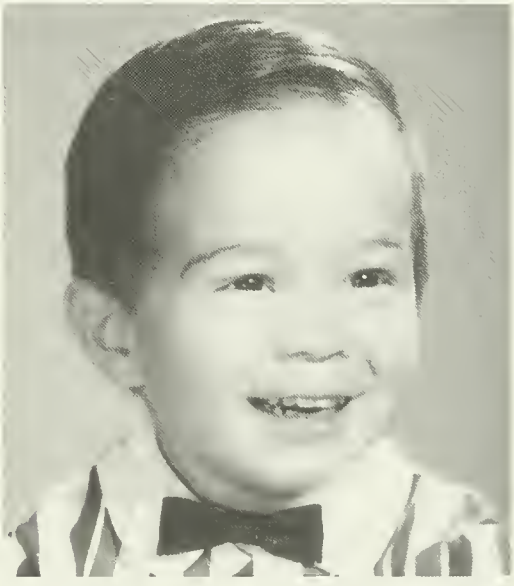

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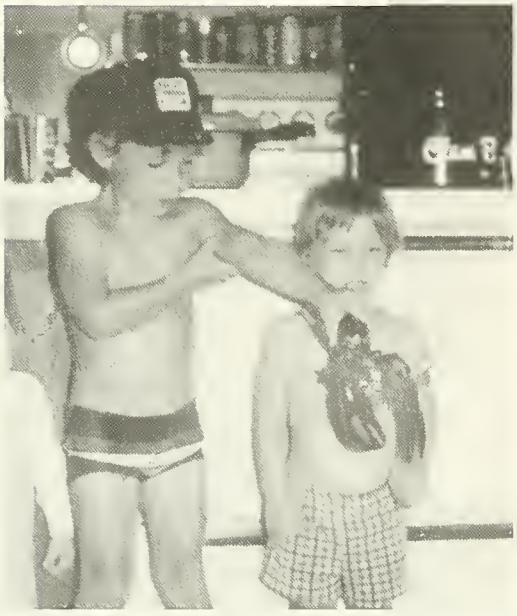
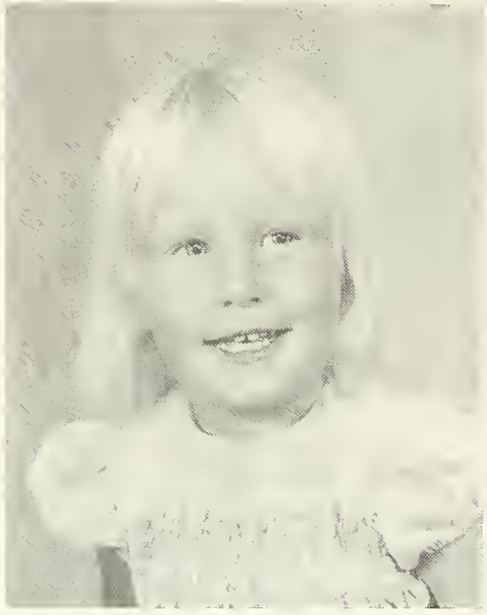

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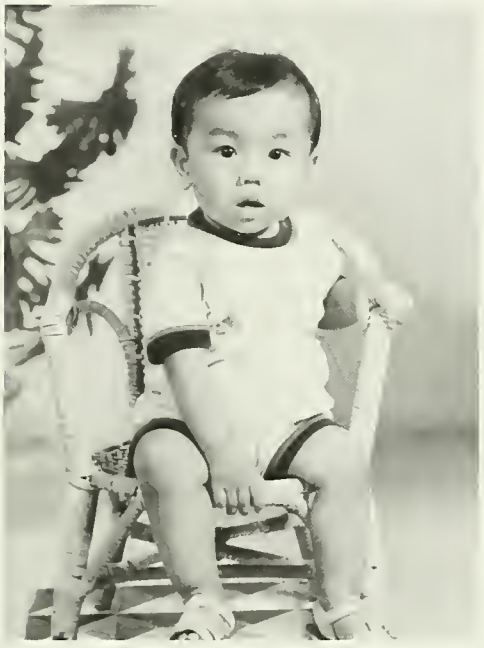

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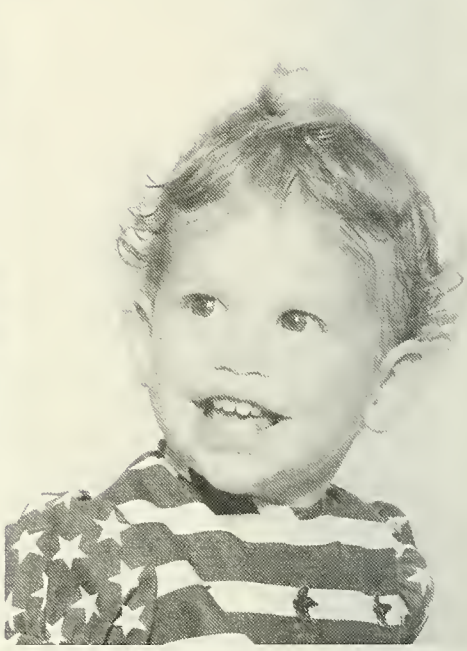

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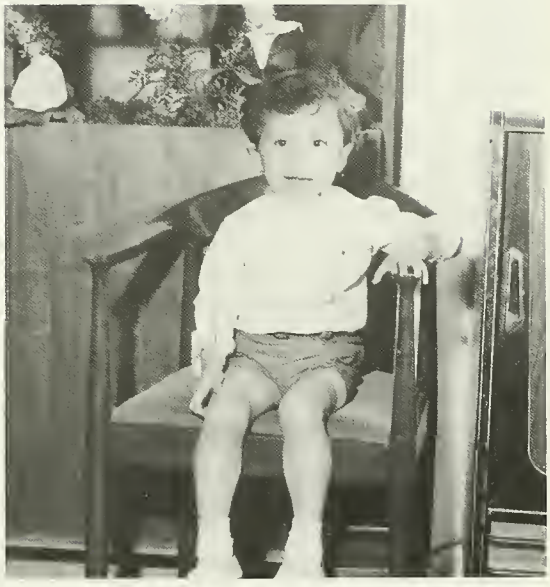

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The Art of Pimping

IT'S HARD work becoming a revered attending physician in a university hospital. The task daunts the newly appointed junior attending as he strides down the corridor of his first ward with his first team. Oh, he's made some changes in anticipation of his new position. He's wearing a long coat now, an all-cotton coat with razor-sharp creases and knit buttons. The stained, shrunken polyester white pants and tennis shoes have given way to gray, light wool slacks with a cuff and polished loafers. Framed certificates bear testimony to his intelligence and determination. He should be ready to take the helm of his ward team, but he's not. Something's missing, something important, something closer to art than to science. When physicians talk about the "art of medicine" they usually mean healing, or coping with uncertainty, or calculating their federal income taxes. But there's one art this new attending needs to learn before all others: the art of pimping.

Pimping occurs whenever an attending poses a series of very difficult questions to an intern or student. The earliest reference to pimping is attributed to Harvey in London in 1628. He laments his students' lack of enthusiasm for learning the circulation of the blood: "They know nothing of Natural Philosophy, these pin-heads. Drunkards, sloths, their bellies filled with Mead and Ale. O that I might see them pimped!"

In 1889, Koch recorded a series of "Pümpfrage" or "pimp questions" he would later use on his rounds in Heidelberg. Unpublished notes made by Abraham Flexner on his visit to Johns Hopkins in 1916 yield the first American reference: "Rounded with Osler today. Riddles house officers with questions. Like a Gatling gun. Welch says students call it 'pimping.' Delightful."

On the surface, the aim of pimping appears to be Socratic instruction. The deeper motivation, however, is political. Proper pimping inculcates the intern with a profound and abiding respect for his attending physician while ridding the intern of needless self-esteem. Furthermore, after being pimped, he is drained of the desire to ask new questions—questions that his attending may be unable to answer. In the heat of the pimp, the young intern is hammered and wrought into the framework of the ward team. Pimping welds the hierarchy of academics in place, so the edifice of medicine may be erected securely, generation upon generation. Of course, being hammered, wrought, and welded may, at times, be somewhat unpleasant for the intern. Still, he enjoys the attention and comes to equate his initial anguish with the aches and pains an athlete suffers during a period of intense conditioning.

Despite its long history and crucial importance in training, pimping as a medical art has received little attention from the educational establishment. A recent survey reveals that fewer than 1 in 20 attending physicians have had any formal training in pimping. In most American medical schools, pimping is covered haphazardly during the third-year medical clerkship or is relegated to a fourth-year elective. In a 1985 poll, over 95% of program directors admitted that the pimping skills of their trainees were "seriously inadequate." It comes as no surprise, then, that the newly appointed attending must teach himself how to pimp. It is to this most junior of attendings, therefore, that I offer the following brief guide to the art of pimping.

Pimp questions should come in rapid succession and should be essentially unanswerable. They may be grouped into five categories:

1. Arcane points of history. These facts are not taught in medical school and are irrelevant to patient care—perfect for pimping. For example, who performed the first lumbar puncture? Or, how was syphilis named?

2. Teleology and metaphysics. These questions lie outside the realm of conventional scientific inquiry and have traditionally been addressed only by medieval philosophers and the editors of the *National Enquirer*. For instance, why are some organs paired?

3. Exceedingly broad questions. For example, what role do prostaglandins play in homeostasis? Or, what is the differential diagnosis of a fever of unknown origin? Even if the intern begins making good points, after 4 or 5 minutes he can be cut off and criticized for missing points he was about to mention. These questions are ideally posed in the final minutes of rounds while the team is charging down a noisy stairwell.

4. Eponyms. These questions are favored by many old-timers who have assiduously avoided learning any new developments in medicine since the germ theory. For instance, where does one find the semilunar space of Traube? Or, whose name is given to the dancing uvula of aortic regurgitation?

5. Technical points of laboratory research. Even when general medical practice has become a dim and distant memory, the attending physician-investigator still knows the details of his research inside and out. For instance, how active are leukocyte-activated killer cells with or without interleukin 2 against sarcoma in the mouse model? Or, what base sequence does the restriction endonuclease *Eco*RI recognize?

Such pimping should do for the third-year student what the Senate hearings did for Robert Bork. The intern, in contrast, is a seasoned veteran and not so easily rattled. Years of relentless pimping have taught him two defenses: the dodge and the bluff.

Dodging avoids the question, wasting time as well as a valuable pimp question. The two most common forms of dodg-

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ing are (1) to answer the question with a question and (2) to answer a different question. For example, the intern is asked to explain the pathophysiology of thrombosis secondary to the lupus anticoagulant. He first recites the clotting cascade, then recalls the details of a lupus case he admitted last month, and closes by asking whether pulse-dose steroids are indicated for lupus nephritis. The experienced attending immediately diagnoses this outpouring as a dodge, grabs the intern by the scruff of the neck, and rubs his nose back in the original pimp.

A bluff, unfortunately, is much more damaging than a dodge. Allowed to stand, a bluff promulgates a lie while undermining the academic hierarchy by suggesting that the intern has nothing more to learn from his attending. Bluffs weaken the very fabric of American medicine, threatening our livelihood and our way of life. Like outlaws in a Clint Eastwood movie, bluffs must be shot on sight—no due process, no Miranda Act, no starry-eyed liberal notions of openness or dialogue—just righteous retribution.

Bluffs fall into three readily discernible categories:

1. Hand waving. These bluffs are stock phrases that refer to hot topics in biomedicine without supplying detail or explanation. For example, "It's a membrane transport phenomenon" or "The effect is mediated by prostaglandins." In many institutions, they may evolve directly from the replies of Grand Rounds speakers to questions from the audience.

2. Feigned erudition. The intern's answer, though without substance, suggests an intimate understanding of the literature and a cautiousness born of experience. "Hmmm . . . to my knowledge, that question has not been examined in a prospective controlled fashion" is a common form. Frequently, the bluff is accompanied by three automatisms: clearing of the throat, rapid fluttering of the eyelids and tongue, and chewing on the temples of the eyeglasses. This triad, when full-blown, will make the intern bear a sudden resemblance to William Buckley and is virtually pathognomonic.

3. Higher authority. The intern attributes his answer to the teaching of a particular superior. When the answer is refuted, the blame of ignorance comes to rest on the higher authority, not on the obedient, accepting intern. The strength of the bluff depends on just whom is quoted. An intern quoting a junior resident about pathophysiology is every bit as cogent as Colonel Qaddafi quoting Ayatollah Khomeini about international law. An intern from an Ivy League medical school quoting the "training" he received on his medical clerkship goes over like Dan Quayle explaining the Bill of Rights at an ACLU convention. The shrewd intern, however, will quote his Chairman of Medicine or at least a division chief, pushing the nontenured attending to the brink of political calamity. Did the chairman actually say *that*? The attending is powerless to refute the statement until he is certain.

Indeed, a good bluff is hard to handle. Sometimes the intern's bluff sounds better to the ward team than the attending's correct answer. Sometimes it sounds better to the attending himself. Ultimately, the cunning intern is best discouraged from bluffing by aversive training. Specifically, each time he bluffs successfully, the attending should counter by inducing Sudden Intern Disgrace (SID). SID is induced in two ways:

1. Question the intern's ability to take a history. This technique depends on the phenomenon of historical drift. That is, a patient's story will reliably undergo a significant change in the 8- or 16-hour interval between admission and attending rounds. The attending need only go to the bedside and ask the same questions the intern did the night before. Now the entire case is seen in a light different than that cast by the intern's assessment. Yesterday's right upper quadrant cramping becomes right-sided pleuritic chest pain. Yesterday's ill-defined midepigastric "burning" becomes crushing substernal heaviness radiating to the arm and jaw. Suddenly, the intern is disgraced. He will never bluff again.

2. Question the intern's compulsiveness. In less rigorous programs, this is easy. Did the intern examine the peripheral blood smear and the urine sediment himself? If the intern does routinely examine body fluids, a more methodical approach is required. In this case, results of the following tests, procedures, and examinations may be requested in rapid succession: Hemoccult slide test, urine electrolytes, bedside cold agglutinins and serum viscosity, slit-lamp examination, Schiøtz' tonometry, Gram's stain of the buffy coat, transtracheal aspiration, anoscopy, rigid sigmoidoscopy, and indirect laryngoscopy. Once the attending discovers a test or examination left unperformed, he asks the intern why this obviously crucial point was neglected. (The tension may be heightened at this point by frequent use of the word "cavalier.") The intern's response will generally revolve around time constraints and priorities in diagnostic evaluation. The attending's rejoinder: did the intern eat, sleep, or void last night? The scrupulous intern at once infers that he has placed his own needs before the needs of his patient. Suddenly, he is disgraced. He will never bluff again.

Clearly, pimping—good pimping—is an art. There are styles, approaches, and a few loose rules to guide the novice, but pimping is learned in practice, not theory. Despite its long and glorious history, pimping is in danger of becoming a lost art. Increased specialization, the rise of the HMO, and DRG-based financing are probably to blame, as they are for most problems. The burgeoning budget deficit, the changing demographic profile of the United States, the Carter Administration, inefficiency at the Pentagon, and intense competition from Japan have each played a role, though less directly. Against this mighty array of historical forces stands the beleaguered junior attending armed only with training, wit, and the determination to pimp. It won't be easy to turn back the clock and restore the art of pimping to its former grandeur. I only hope my guide will help.

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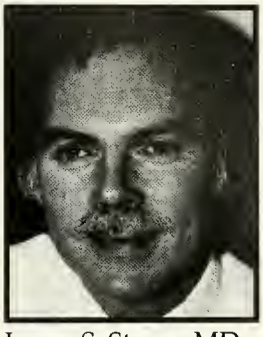

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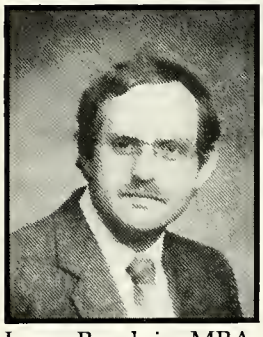

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The Basic Sciences . . . 1st year

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Roberta Lottinger, MD

Class of 1996 Sponsor

Traditionally, the members of the graduating class select two sponsors from among the faculty to guide them through and help them celebrate the completion of their fourth year. The Class of 1996 was honored to have Dr. Roberta Lottinger and Dr. William H. Robichaux serve in this capacity. Individually, they earned our respect as doctors and our admiration as teachers; together they have given the class much support, advice, and -- of course -- bacchanalian parties.

Dr. Roberta Lottinger surely qualifies for the classification of at least T20, since she has done all of her post-secondary schoolwork at Tulane, from being a wide-eyed undergraduate at Newcomb College to serving in her current position as an associate professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Stories about her love for her work are endless, but the fact that she has pictures of, and can remember every name of every child she has delivered represents volumes. When not bringing new life into the world or teaching, she enjoys the company of her husband Tom -- a carpenter, who built the house the live in -- and their son Andrew, who is three years old.

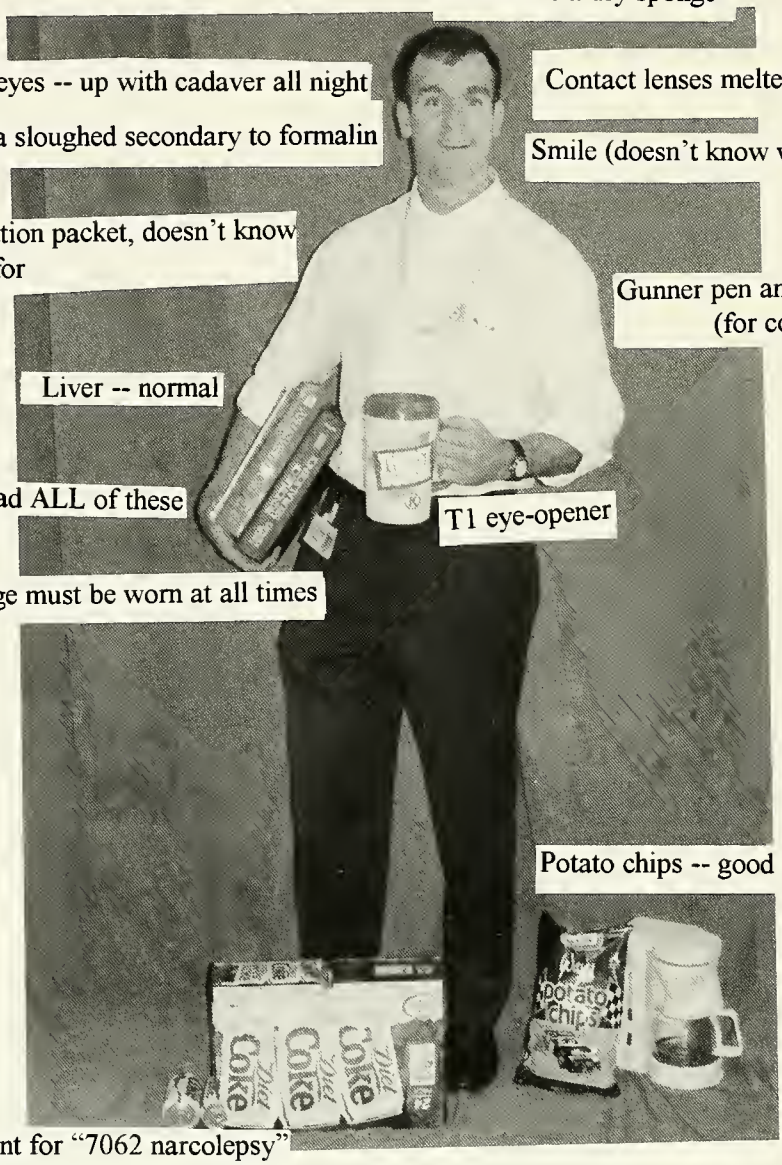
William H. Robichaux, MD

Class of 1996 Sponsor

Dr. William H. Robichaux's eclectic background, which includes a degree in modern literature from the Universite de Lyon and a medical doctorate from Louisiana Medical Center, serves him well in his current calling as assistant professor in the Department of Pathology. In lectures, Dr. Robichaux often inserted trumpet riffs and Oreos between clever mnemonics for remembering sphingomyelinase deficiency and Lesch-Nyhan Syndrome. He has also appeared regularly on the Music and Medicine Society stage, usually playing accordion, or sometimes one of his many other instruments. When not entertaining and teaching in room 6065, he performs for his wife Chris, and his three daughters Marie Celeste, Susannah, and Josephine.

To our stellar sponsors, the Class of 1996 offers its deepest gratitude. It has been a pleasure learning from you, working and playing with you!

Are you a T1?



Wonders how people can tell he's a T1 by one whiff

Brain like a dry sponge

Bags under eyes -- up with cadaver all night

Contact lenses melted to eyes due to formalin

Nasal mucosa sloughed secondary to formalin

Smile (doesn't know what he's gotten himself into)

Beads -- received in orientation packet, doesn't know what they're used for

Gunner pen and multicolored highlighters (for color-coding notesets)

Liver -- normal

Plans to read ALL of these

T1 eye-opener

School rules state ID badge must be worn at all times

Potato chips -- good source of antioxidants per Dr. Jete

Chronic treatment for "7062 narcolepsy"

Are you a T2?

Decidedly less fragrant than last year

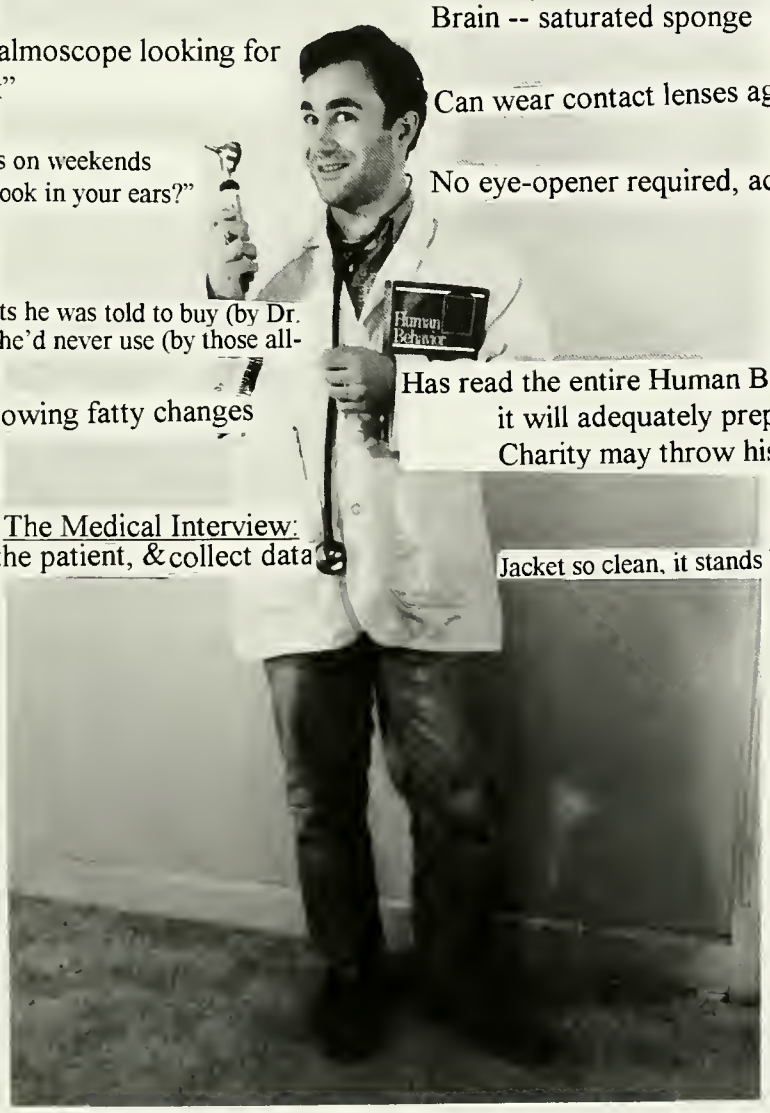
Brain -- saturated sponge

Blinded himself with ophthalmoscope looking for patient's "red reflex"

Can wear contact lenses again

Starts taking otoscope to bars on weekends "Hey, babe. Can I look in your ears?"

No eye-opener required, actually sleeps



Actually bought the instruments he was told to buy (by Dr. Szerlip), and then was informed he'd never use (by those all-knowing T3s)

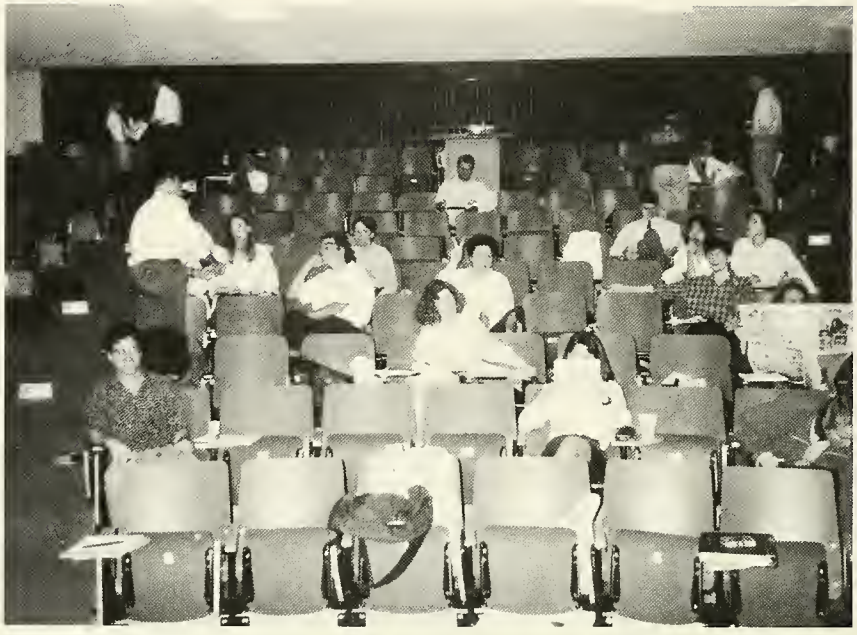
Has read the entire Human Behavior book and feels it will adequately prepare him for anything Charity may throw his way

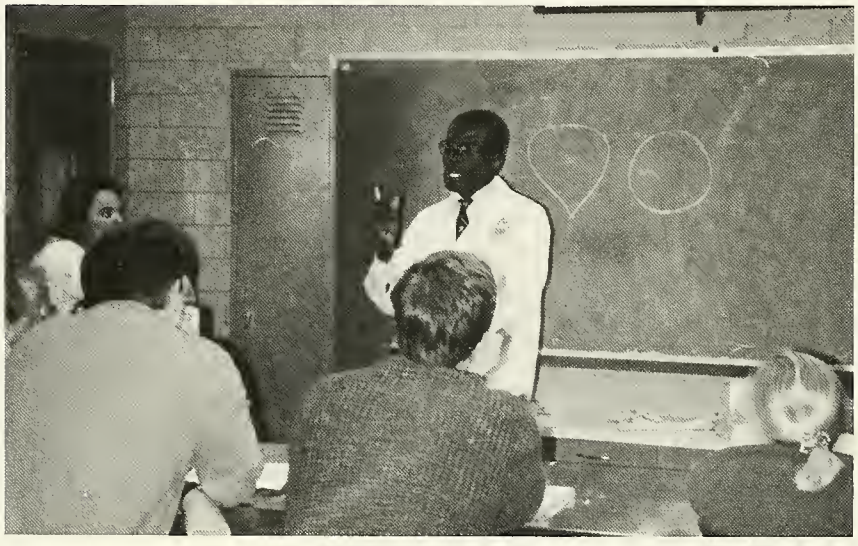
Liver -- showing fatty changes

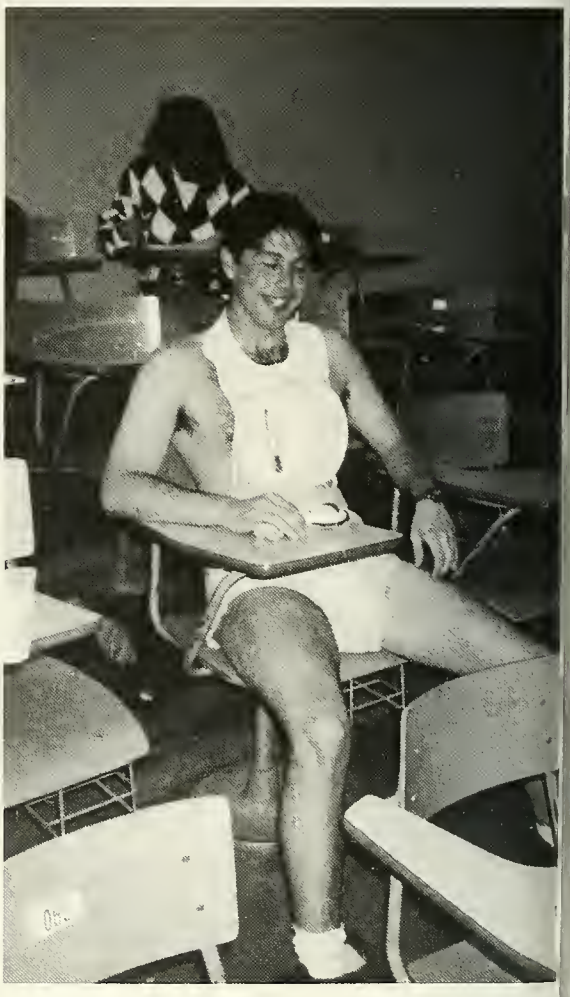
Take home message from The Medical Interview: establish rapport, educate the patient, & collect data

Jacket so clean, it stands by itself

AT WORK: Basic Sciences

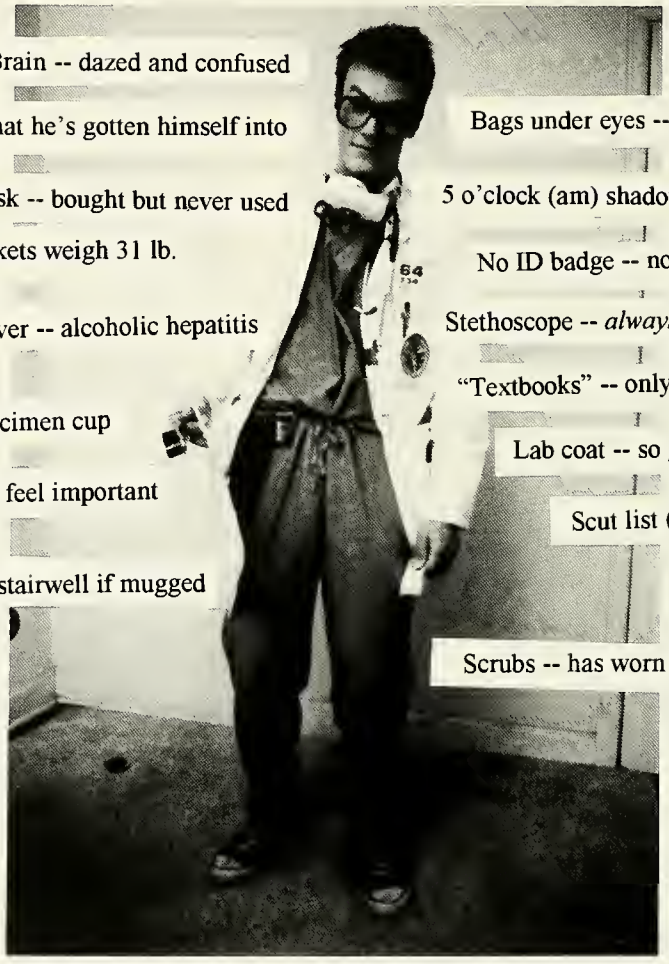






RULES OF LOUNGE
1 PUT YOUR TRAY & DISPOSE OF TRASH
2 BE COURTEOUS WHEN USING TV OR PHONES
3 RECYCLE USING APPROPRIATE CONTAINERS
APPROVED ITEMS MAY BE POSTED
IS YOUR LOUNGE
PLEASE KEEP IT CLEAN

Are you a T3?



Brain -- dazed and confused

Smile fading -- knows what he's gotten himself into

TB mask -- bought but never used

Drooping shoulders -- full lab coat pockets weigh 31 lb.

Liver -- alcoholic hepatitis

T3 eye-opener -- yesterday confused with specimen cup

Beeper -- pages self to feel important

Charity key in pocket to get out of locked stairwell if mugged

Bags under eyes -- up all night on call

5 o'clock (am) shadow

No ID badge -- now only used to get into Reil

Stethoscope -- *always* hears RRR s M/G/R

"Textbooks" -- only buys pocket versions

Lab coat -- so grimy it stands by itself

Scut list (1 mile long, so far) in pock

Scrubs -- has worn for past 3 days and nights

Are you a T4?

Joe's -- it's not just for Fridays anymore

Took out additional loans for interviews

Brain -- pickled

Bags under eyes -- up all night partying

Lost stethoscope, forgot how to use it, orders echo

Arm sore from vaccinations in preparation for trip to A

"Studying" for Community Medicine rotation

Beeper -- for emergencies, i.e. "meet me at Joe's, STAT!"

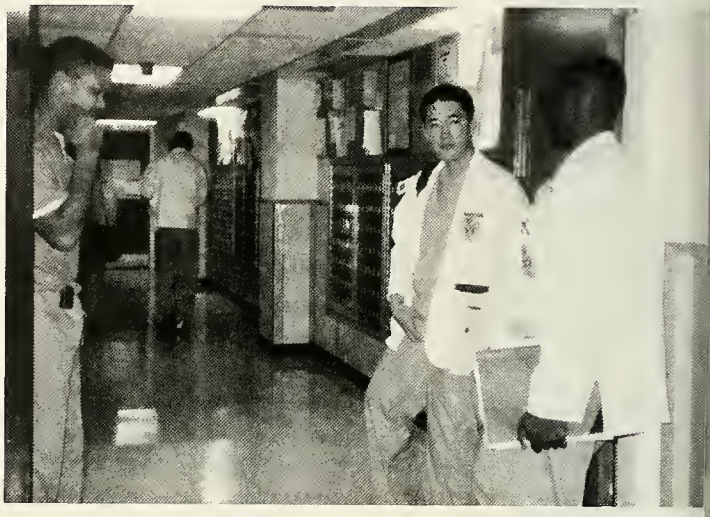
Tulane Bookstore Bestseller

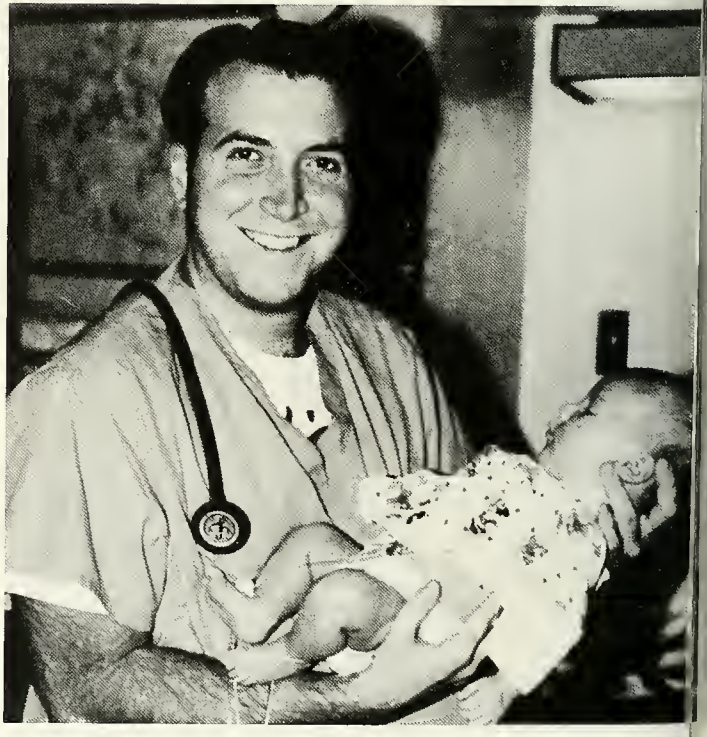
T4 eye-opener

Suntan lotion

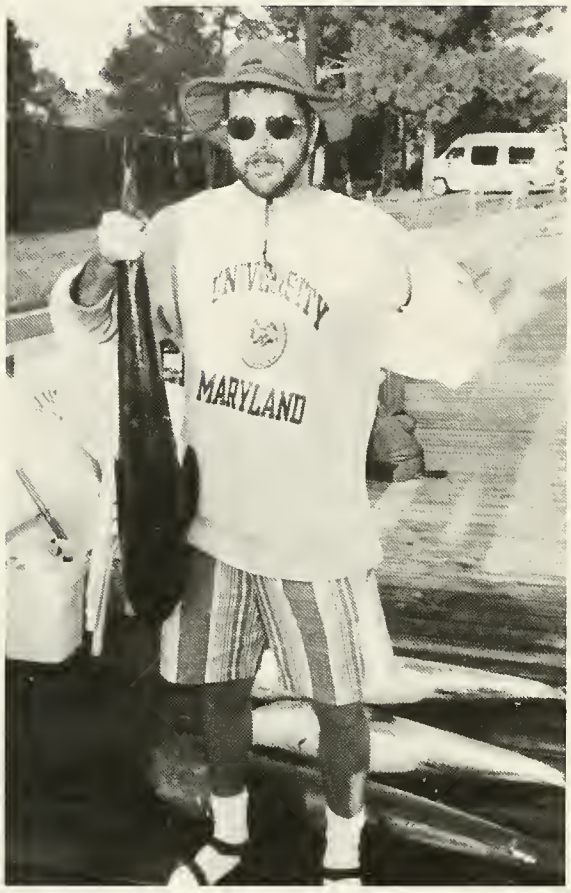
Studied more for SCUBA certification than for any other exam this year

AT WORK: Clinical Years



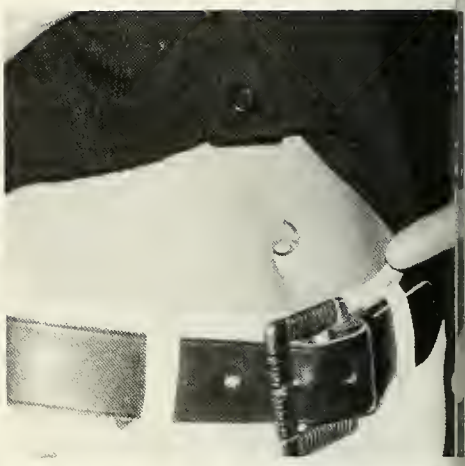


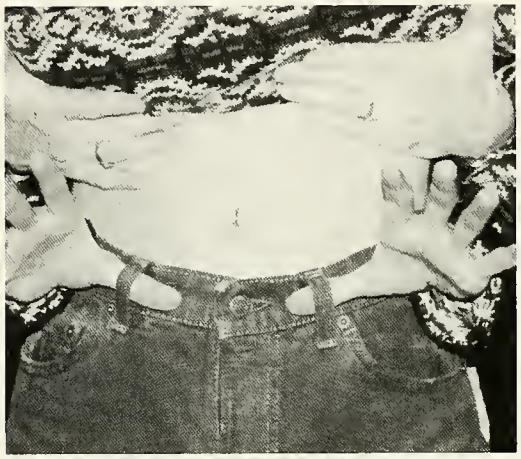
AT PLAY

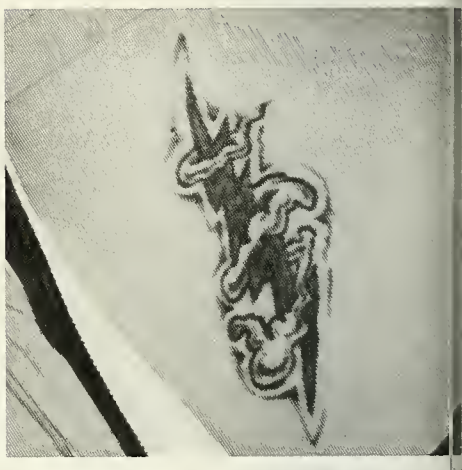


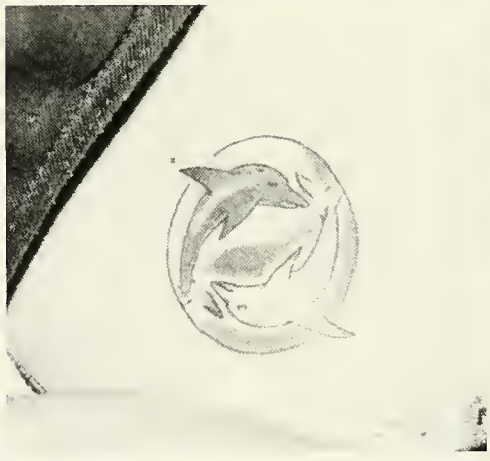
CATS

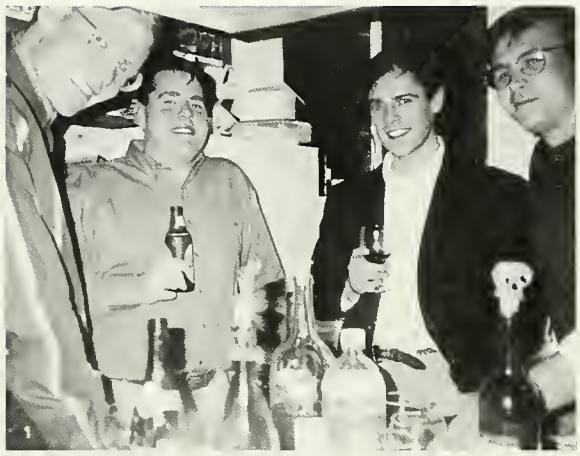
Not just pretty faces . . .











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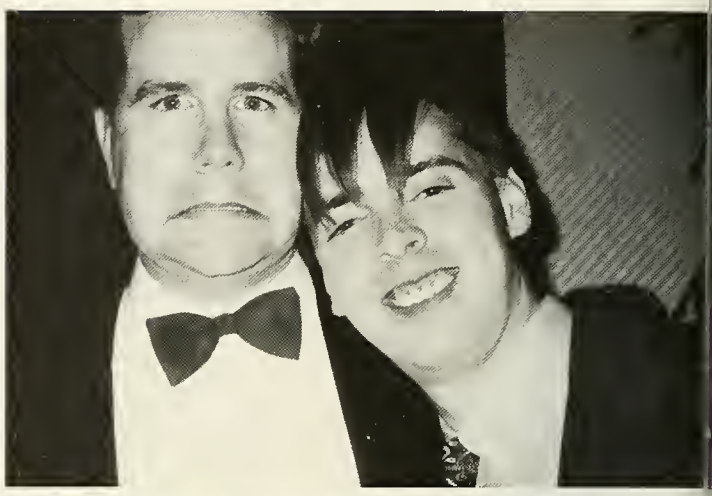

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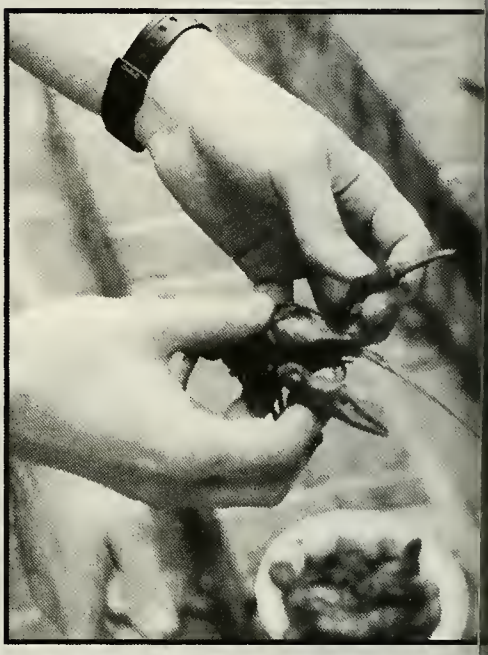

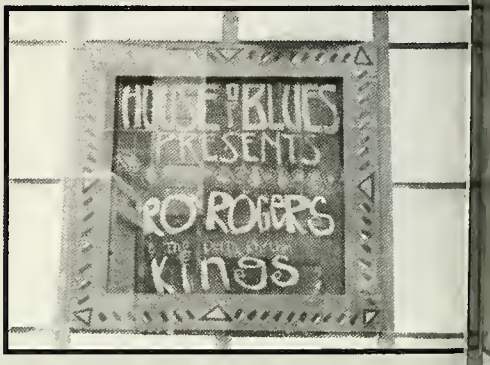

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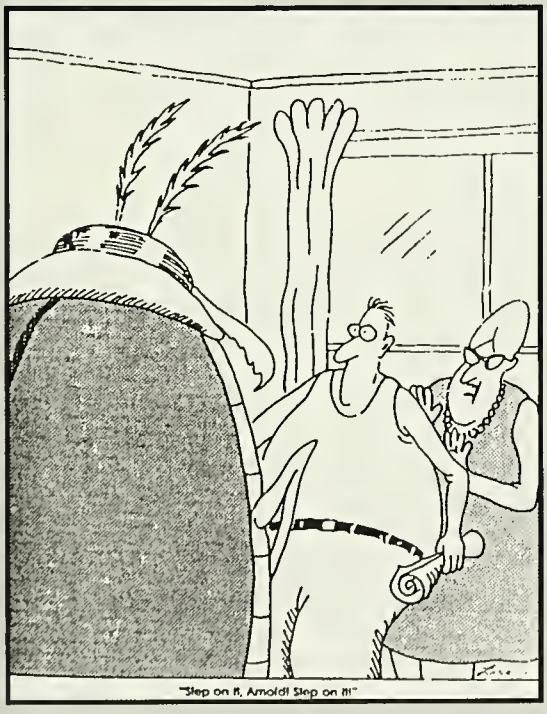
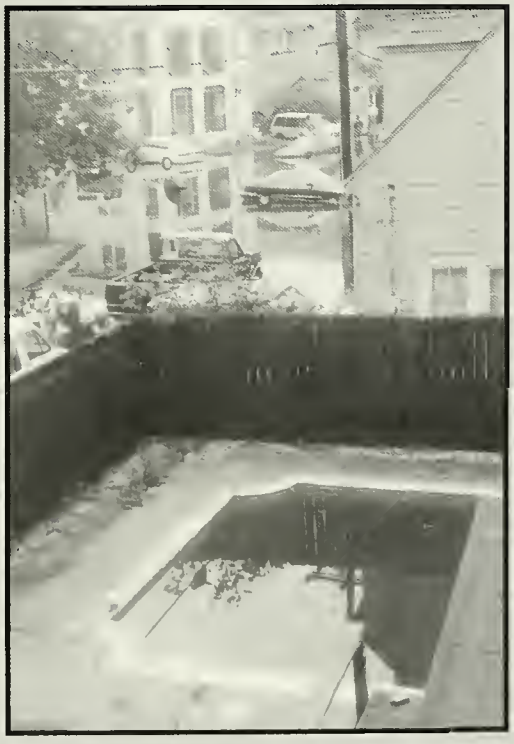
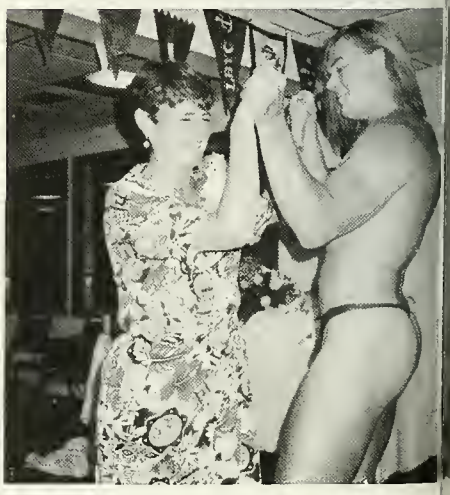
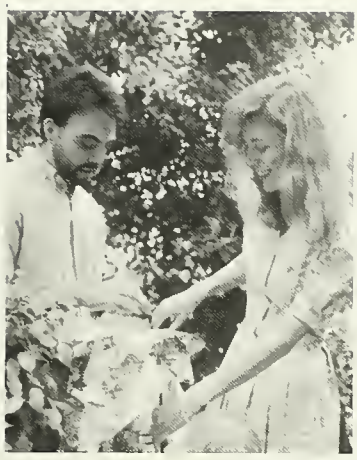
MORE OF THE BEST...

AND SOME OF THE WORST

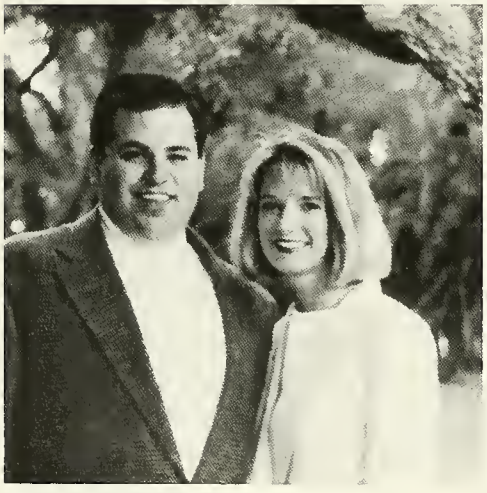


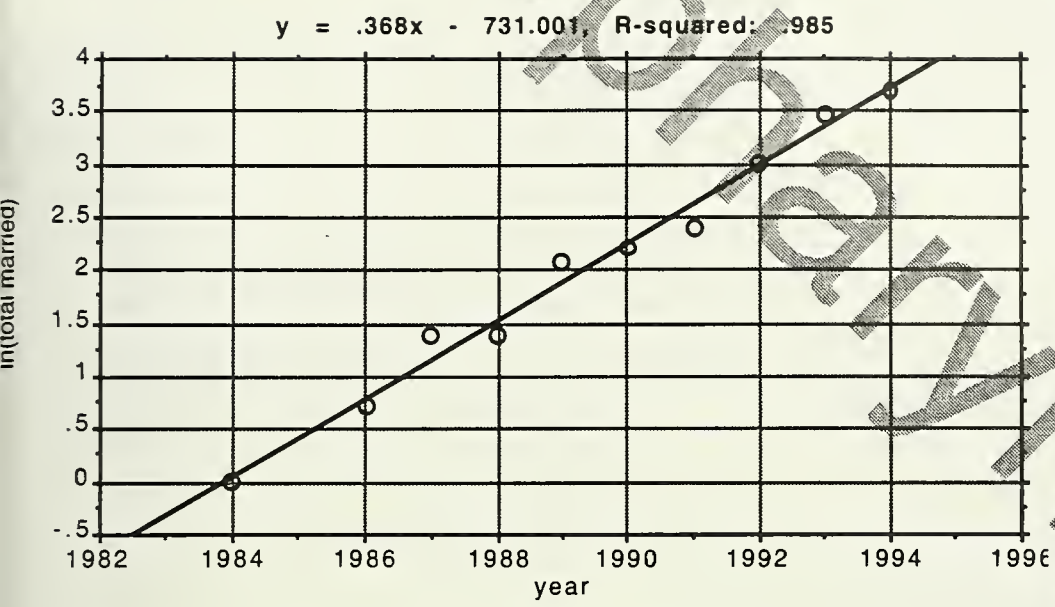






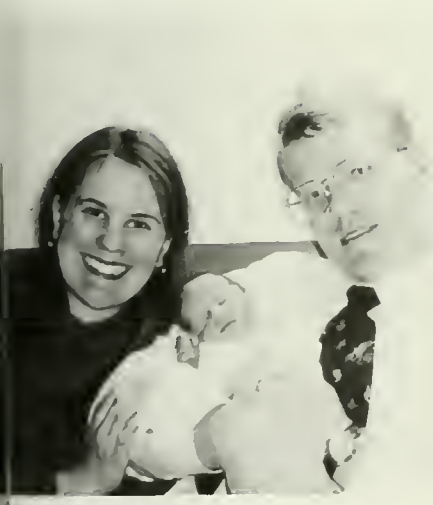
. . . and yet more class sweethearts . .





As you can see, the data fits almost perfectly on a straight line. Big deal. But using the equation above, we arrive at the punch line: if we maintain the current marriage rate (certainly reasonable, it seems), our entire class of 148 will be happily married by the year 1999.992!!! Less than six years. Yep, not only gunners in class, but gunners in love.

Remember this? For all you bachelors and bachelorettes, only 3.992 years left of singledom!!!



HUMOROUS EXCERPTS FROM CLASS OF 1996 NOTESETS

PHARMACOLOGY BY PETE

"Disposition of Drugs"

...So, before this lecture started, I was thinking "Disposition of Drugs...Groovy...That must be where we study which mood, or disposition, various drugs impose on you, like Valium is a mellow, happy-camper drug, and caffeine is a jittery "I am omnipotent sort of drug." Little did I know that "Disposition of Drugs" is really a euphemism for "Biochemistry of Drugs" (the horror, the horror...). That's right, like Communism in the 1950's, Biochemistry has been insidiously seeping into all aspects of our society, and this lecture is no exception. In fact, even the hideously unpopular Henderson-Hasselbach equation will rear it's ugly head. Now that I've given you something to really eagerly look forward to, (Pass the hemlock...), let's once again don those uncomfortable but oh-so-swank Biochem Thinking Caps.

Other Stuff...

TOP TEN SIGNS THAT IT'S SPRING IN NEW ORLEANS

10) Lucky Dog vendors in the Quarter change hot dog water.
9) Air is filled with 9mm, "New Orleans Hummingbirds".
8) More than usual, people are mating in the streets.
7) Even pasty medical students begin to look somewhat tan.
6) Hormones mean more than just a lecture by Dr. Anderson.
5) Cab drivers yell, "It's a lovely spring day. Now get out of the road you stupid bastard!"
4) The lovely, fragrant smells of the French Quarter.
3) Body count for the year breaks the 150 mark.
2) Board review books get bleached by the sun.
1) Everywhere you look - adorable baby cockroaches.

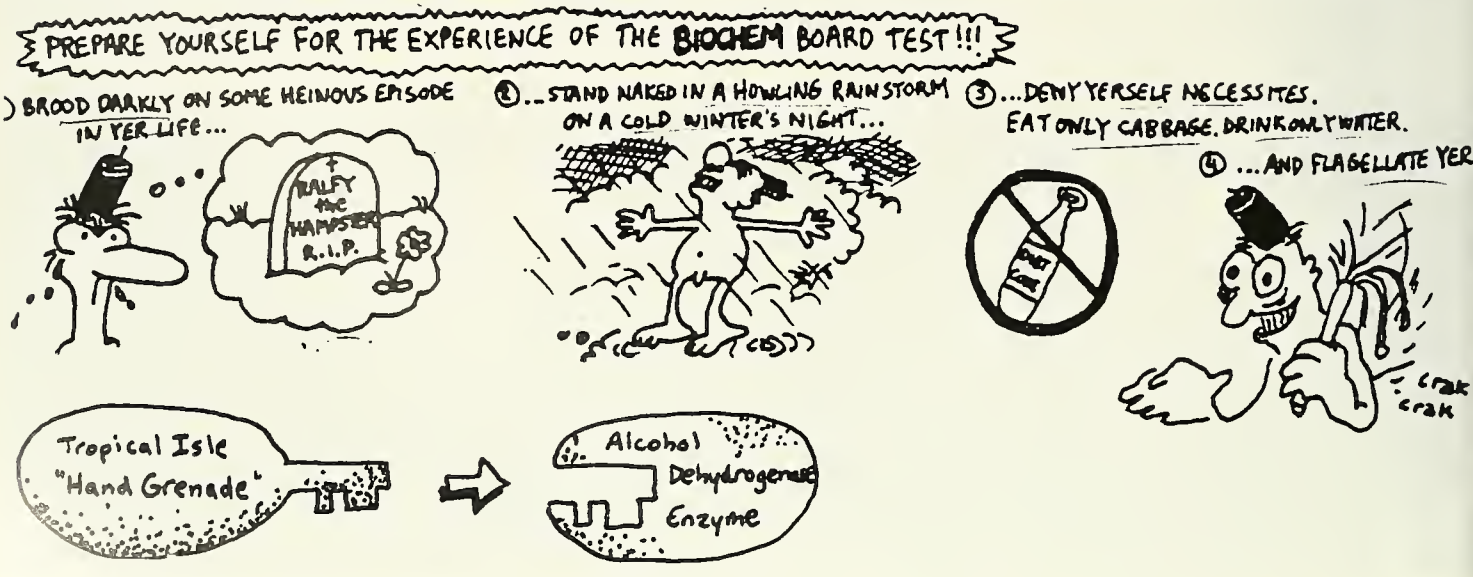
QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS STUFF BEFORE FRIDAYS TE:
GIVE ME A CALL AT 897-3173.
AFTER 3 AM CALL DR. BARICOS HIMSELF, AND TELL HIM THAT YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT THIS NATIONAL BOARDS TEST.

PHARMACOLOGY TRIVIA THAT YOU **PROBABLY** WON'T BE TESTED ON:

◆ Irish anesthesiologist Dr. John W. Dundee revealed that when dentists or anesthesiologists administer pain-killing drugs to patients who are taking the tranquilizers Valium or Versed, the patients may experience hallucinations that their sexual organs are being fondled by the person treating them. He also reported that some people who use the drug clomipramine experience orgasms when they yawn. One man said that the orgasms tired him out so much that he had to lie down for fifteen minutes after yawning.

◆ Family members said that hearing the theme song of one of her favorite television shows, "Growing Pains", played on a set in her hospital room, brought 27 year-old Janet Richardson out of a five day coma.

◆ Chinese officials closed 92 noodle shops in the eastern city of Luoyang after determining that shop owners were adding opium poppy pods or seeds to their dishes in an attempt to get customers hooked on their food. A report in the government newspaper said that investigators became suspicious over people forming long lines at some shops and showing little interest in others.



NEW FROM MedREP!

ALL YOU SMOKIN' BOARDS GUNNERS
PREPARE YERSELF FER THE
BOARDS EXPERIENCE
WITH THIS CONVENIENT, DO-IT-YERSELF SIMULATION...

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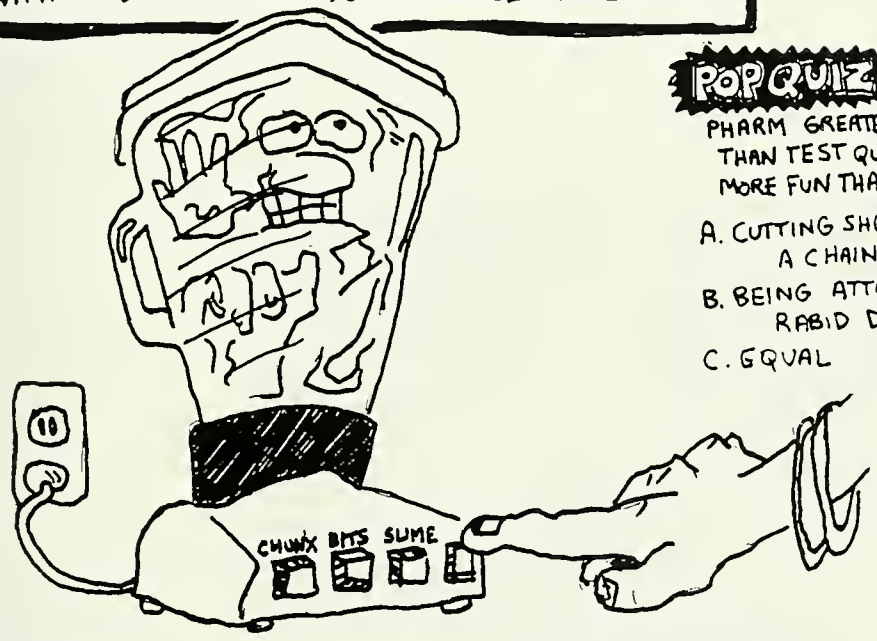


POP QUIZ

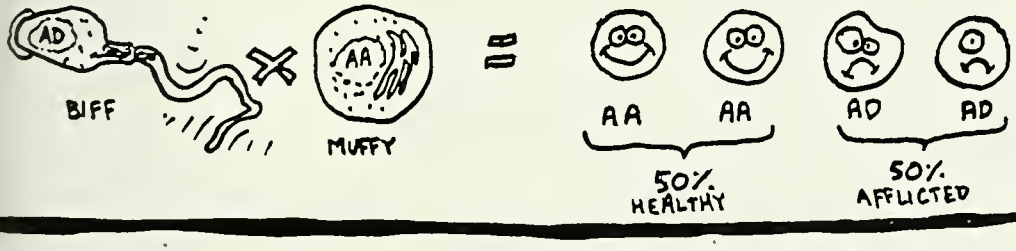
PHARM GREATER THAN/LESS THAN TEST QUESTIONS ARE MORE FUN THAN:

A. CUTTING SHEET METAL WITH A CHAINSAW

B. BEING ATTACKED BY RABID DOGS

C. GQUAL

AUTOSOMAL DOMINANT INHEIRITANCE PATTERN



MEDICAL ETHICS INTERNSHIP

NOW THAT WE'RE ALL TAKEN THE ICM FINAL EXAM, WE SHOULD BE EXPERTS IN ETHICS

- RECENTLY SOUTH KOREAN POLICE ARRESTED TWO DOCTORS ON CHARGES OF SURGICALLY ALTERING THE KNEES OF MORE THAN 30 ATHLETES TO HELP THEM AVOID THE NATION'S COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE. THE POLICE SAID THE SURGEONS RECEIVED FROM $1090 TO $3411 FOR THE OPERATIONS.
- ETHICAL BEHAVIOR? YOU MAKE THE CALL.

Pharmacology
May 16, 1994.11 AM
Dr. Letora
Notes by Pete

THE BEGINNING OF THE END

THINGS TO DO RATHER THAN STUDY FOR BIOCHEM

① TRY TO WIGGLE EACH OF YER TOES INDIVIDUALLY.

② COUNT THE HAIRS ON YER FOREARM

③ ORGANIZE YER TELEKINETIC POWERS & EVOLVE THE TMC CAFETERIA ROACHES.

④ ...GET WASTED...

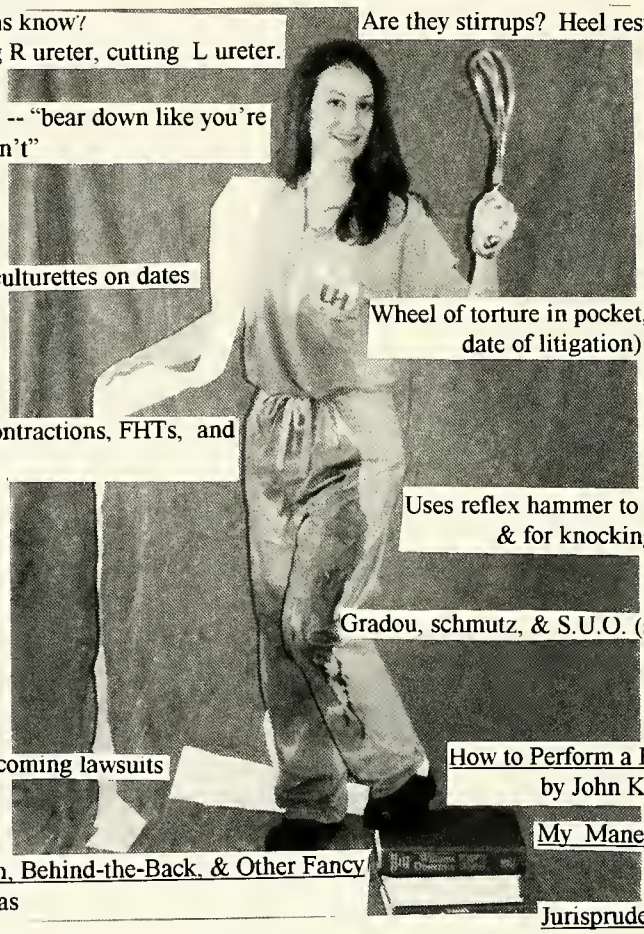
Are you an OB/Gyn?

Chose OB/Gyn because...doesn't like to sleep anyway

Q: What 3 surgeries do OB/Gyns know?
A: Removing the uterus, cutting R ureter, cutting L ureter.

Are they stirrups? Heel rests? Leg holders?

Actually uses that phrase from PD -- "bear down like you're having a BM, but you won't"



Takes culturettes on dates

Wheel of torture in pocket, for estimating EDL (estimated date of litigation)

Monitor strip for monitoring uterine contractions, FHTs, and Dow Jones Industrial Average

Uses reflex hammer to check for signs of pre-ecclampsia & for knocking out screaming "tachy-lordies"

Gradou, schmutz, & S.U.O. (secretions of unknown origin)

Keeps list of upcoming lawsuits

How to Perform a Forceps Delivery...& Toss a Perfect Sal
by John King

My Maneuvers by Leopold

Double Footling Breech, Behind-the-Back, & Other Fancy Deliveries by M. Biswas

Jurisprudence Malpracticus by I.M. Asnake, JD

Typical Charity patient: 18 yo G10P6036, EGA 29 wk., previous C/S of unknown scar, no PNC, presents to L&D with footling breech hanging out

Are you a Pediatrician?

Knows all the names of the Mighty Morphin Power Rangers

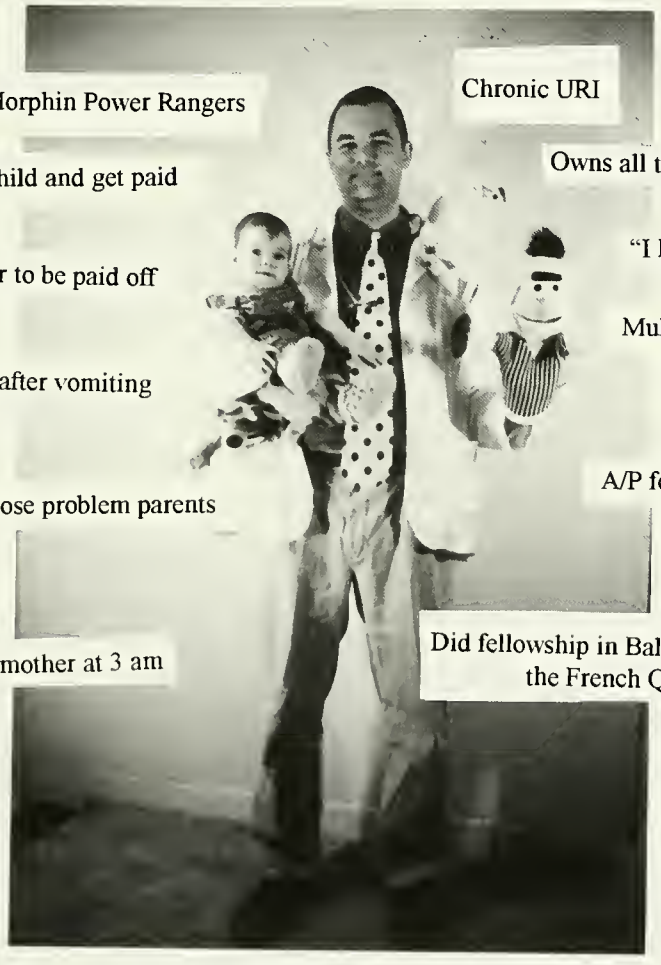
ıose Peds because...you can act like a child and get paid

MedLoans never to be paid off

Has laminated shirt for easy cleaning after vomiting

Carries Ativan in pocket -- for those problem parents

Enjoys talking to patient's mother at 3 am



Chronic URI

Owns all the Disney Classics

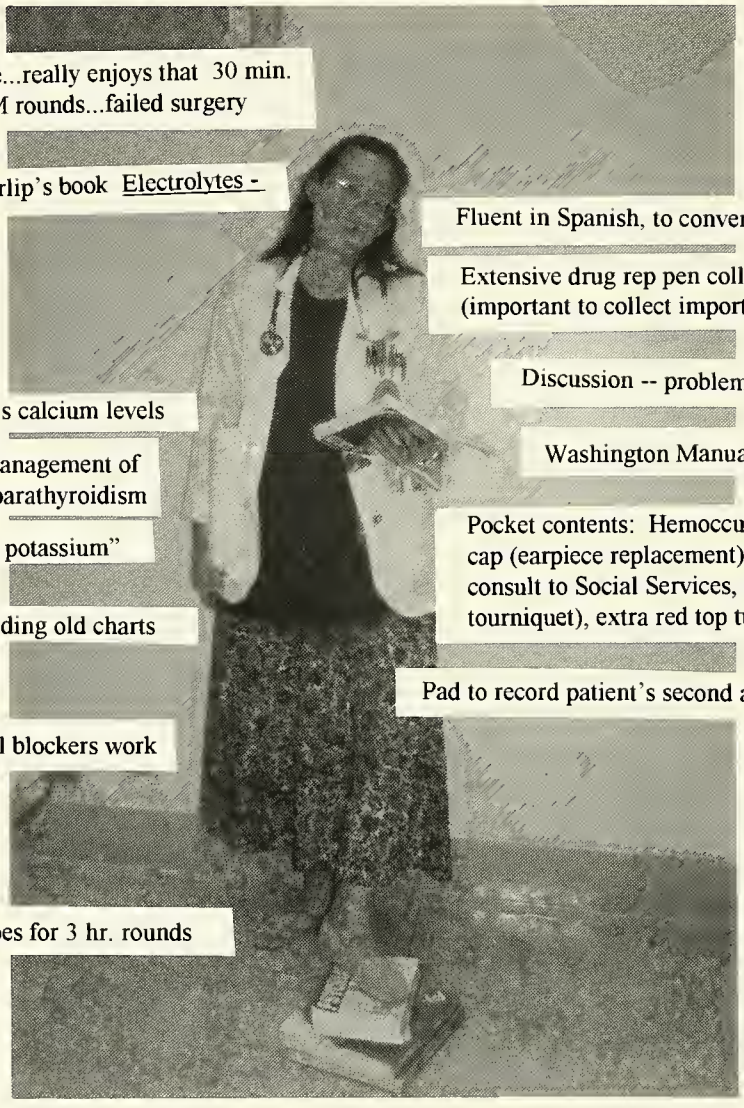
"I love you, you love me..."

Multiple toys -- diversionary tactics

A/P for NICU -- "Feed & Grow"

Did fellowship in Balloon Animal Making with the guy in the French Quarter

Are you an Internist?



Chose Internal Medicine because...really enjoys that 30 min. break between am & PM rounds...failed surgery

Eyesight shot after reading Dr. Szerlip's book Electrolytes - Those Little Buggers

Must compulsively correct patient's calcium levels

"Post-prandial Cushing's -- Management of Pseudeopseudohyperparathyroidism

"7000 causes of low potassium"

Callus on thumb from reading old charts

Actually cares how calcium channel blockers work

Comfortable shoes for 3 hr. rounds

Fluent in Spanish, to converse with Tulane house officers

Extensive drug rep pen collection to write 30 pg. H&Ps (important to collect important info like patient's travel hx)

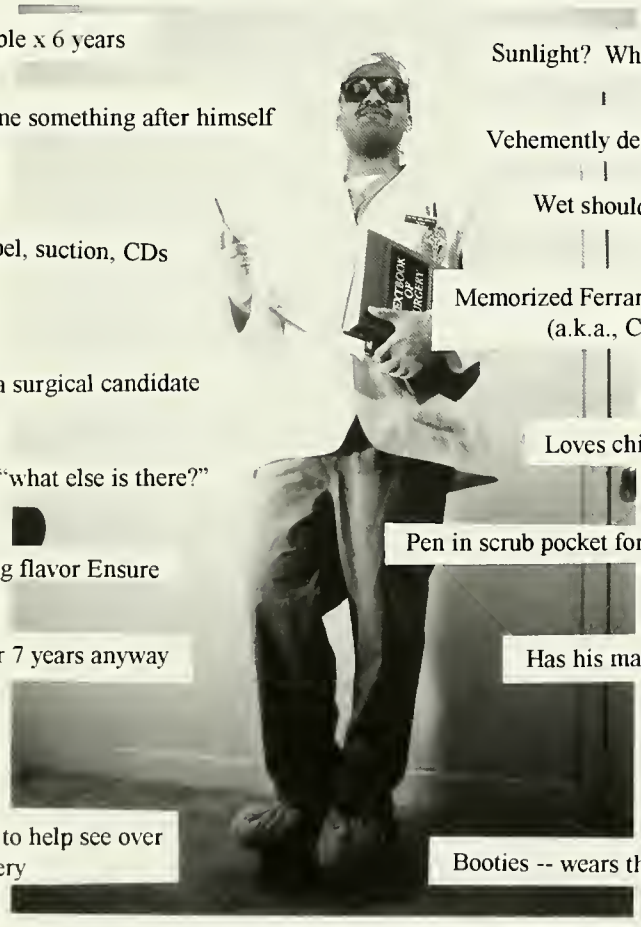
Discussion -- problem #4 on list of 27

Washington Manual -- 90% of IM wisdom

Pocket contents: Hemoccult developer & cards, Vacutainer cap (earpiece replacement), calculator, tuning fork, forgotten consult to Social Services, extra glove (Charity phlebotomy tourniquet), extra red top tubes from yesterday.

Pad to record patient's second aunt's (twice removed) med hx

Are you a Surgeon?



Mental status: semi-arousable x 6 years

Hope to one day name something after himself

Surgical instruments: scalpel, suction, CDs

P soars when clinic patient is not a surgical candidate

e Surgery because...thinks to self, "what else is there?"

Favorite drink: eggnog flavor Ensure

Didn't want to exercise for 7 years anyway

il's medicine book put to best use to help see over attending's shoulder in surgery

Sunlight? What's that?

Vehemently denies will ever perform cholecystectomies

Wet shoulder -- used as staff's sweat sponge

Memorized Ferrara's "Razors for Blades" (a.k.a., Cliff Notes for the Surgeon)

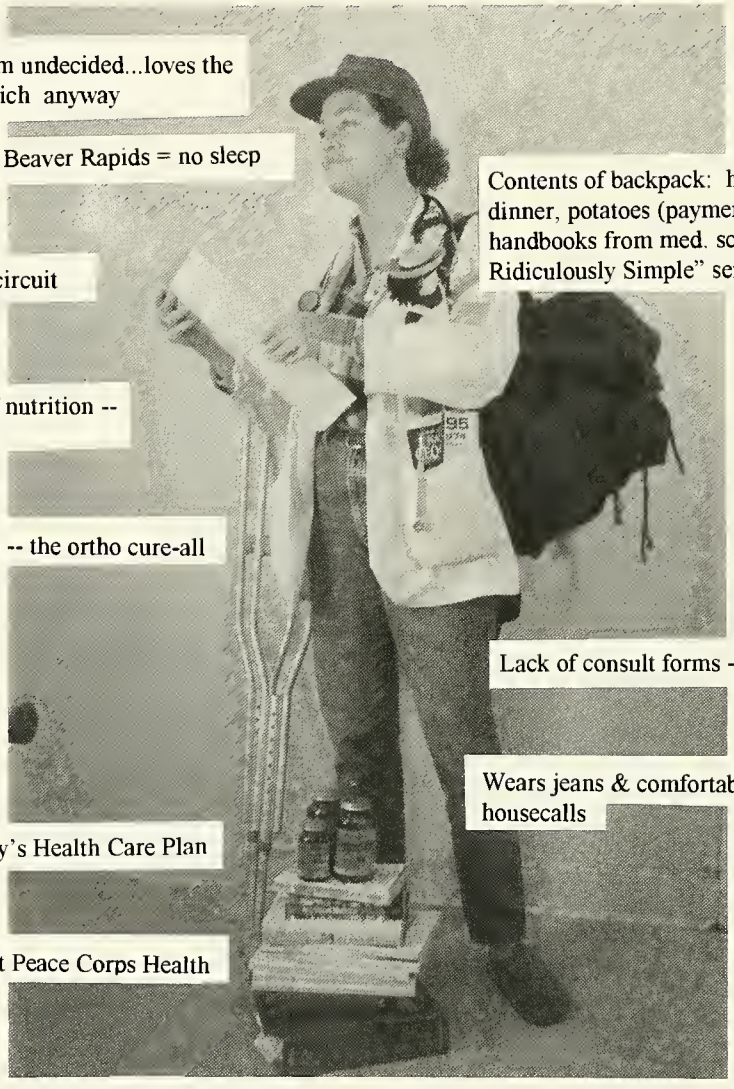
Loves chili-cheese-burritos from the Fistula

Pen in scrub pocket for emergency trachs

Has his mail sent to his call room

Booties -- wears them to church (to worship self)

Are you a Family Physician?



Chose FP because...it's a step up from undecided...loves the great outdoors...never wanted to be rich anyway

Bags under eyes -- only doc in Beaver Rapids = no sleep

Map for planning best housecall circuit

Extensive fund of knowledge of nutrition -- somebody has to care!

Loaner pair of crutches -- the ortho cure-all

Job security under President Hillary's Health Care Plan

National Geographic -- to plan next Peace Corps Health Mission

Contents of backpack: home-brew supplies, breakfast, lunch, dinner, potatoes (payment for Mrs. Jones latest delivery), all handbooks from med. school including "_____ Made Ridiculously Simple" series

Lack of consult forms -- thinks she will treat everything

Wears jeans & comfortable shoes for those long hikes for housecalls

Are you an Orthopedist?

Chose Ortho because...athletic eligibility exhausted

Frontal bossing

Q: How do you hide something from an orthopod?
A: Write it in the chart.

Heart -- the muscle that pumps Ancef to the bone

The precise, delicate instrument of his trade (can even calibrate it himself)

Still plays on undergrad intramural teams (defeated School of Social Work in flag football to capture 3rd place -- out of 4 teams)

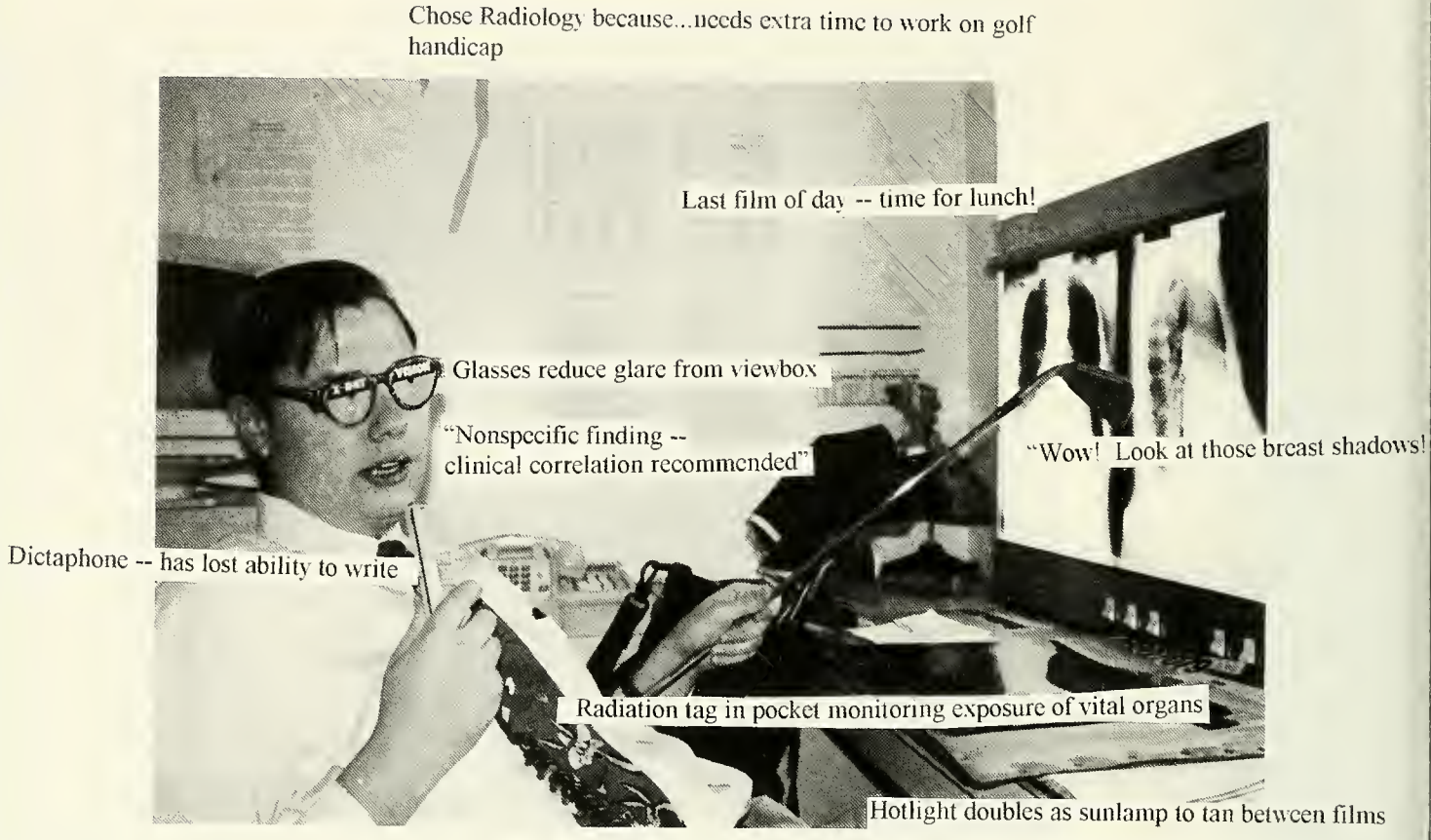
Athletic supporter under scrubs

Has memorized extensive differential:
1. bone broke
2. bone not broke
3. bone may be brok

Medicine consults -- one per patient problem

Stethoscope sued only on the "pod point" -- where RRR ≠ M/G/R, B CTA, and +BS can be simultaneously detected

Are you a Radiologist?



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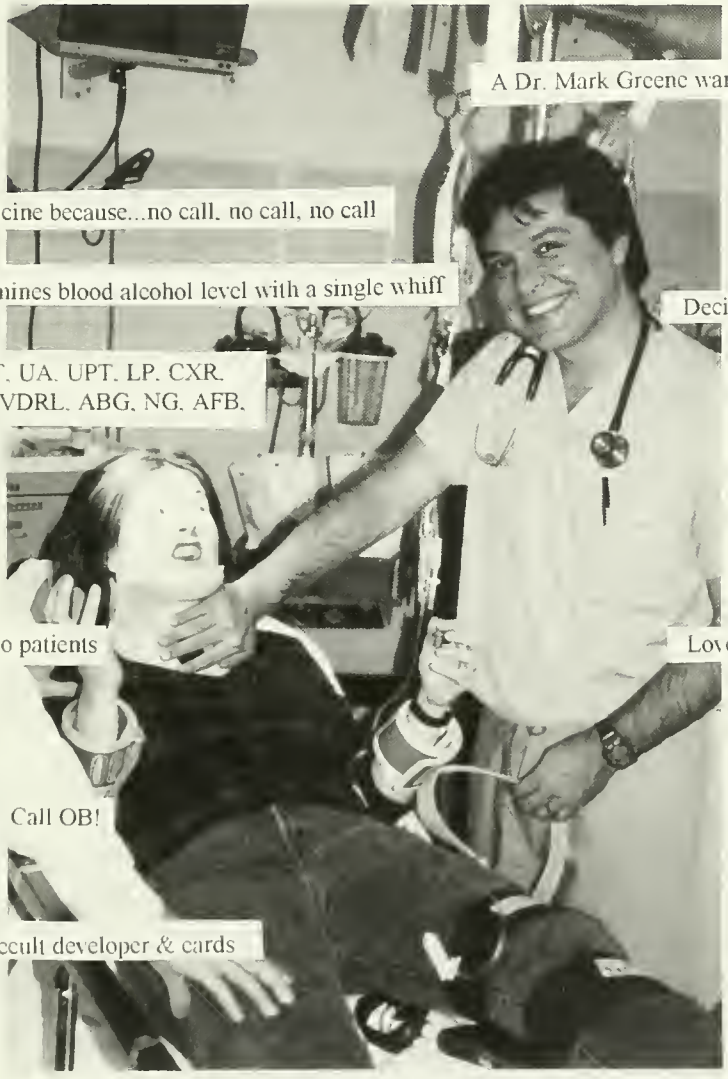


A Dr. Mark Greene wannabe -- closet addict of Must See TV

Chose Emergency Medicine because...no call, no call, no call

Accurately determines blood alcohol level with a single whiff

Decided to take ACLS one step further...

Std. orders: CBC, SMA20, PT/PTT, UA, UPT, LP, CXR, KUB, CT, BAL, Utox, EKG, DPL, VDRL, ABG, NG, AFB, NPA...STAT!

Likes cookbook medicine

Enjoys the challenge of relating to patients

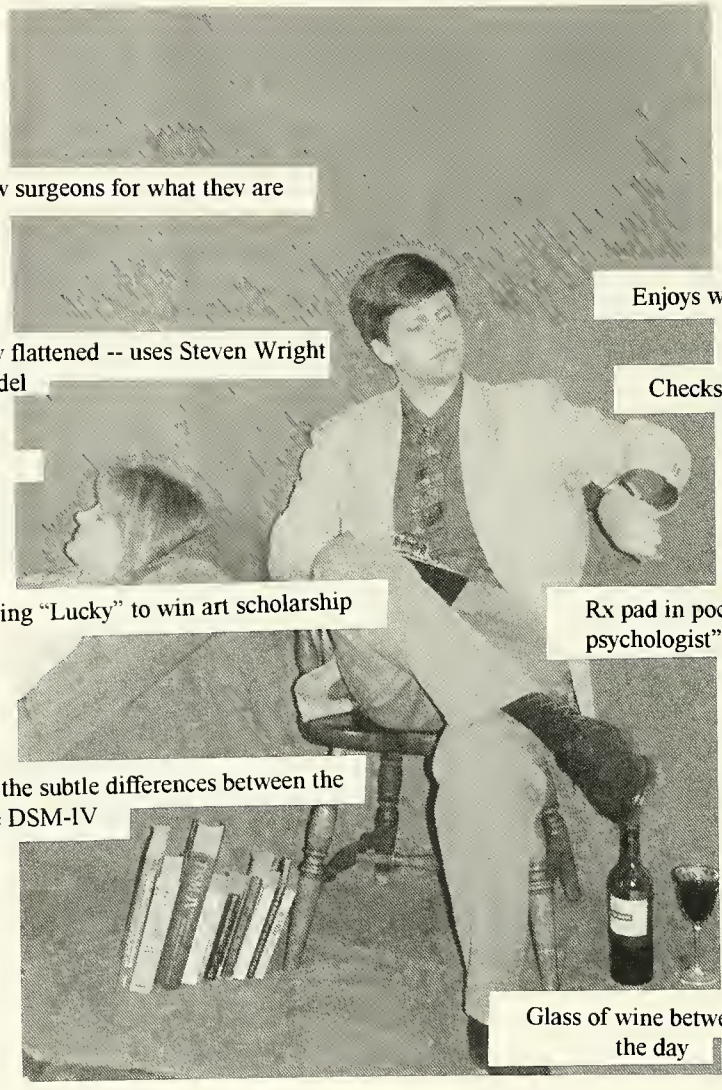
Loves the excitement, not the follow-up

Extensive wardrobe: scrubs & jeans

+UPT? Call OB!

Has own private reserve of Hemoccult developer & cards

Are you a Psychiatrist?



Chose Psychiatry because...saw surgeons for what they are

Enjoys weekends off - for life!

Affect appropriately flattened -- uses Steven Wright as role model

Checks watch for that 50 min. hour -- another $150...ChaChing!

Medicine consult for temp of 1'

Practicing drawing "Lucky" to win art scholarship

Rx pad in pocket -- "the difference between me and a psychologist"

Realizes the importance of the subtle differences between the DSM-IIIR and the DSM-IV

Glass of wine between appointments -- to take the edge off the day

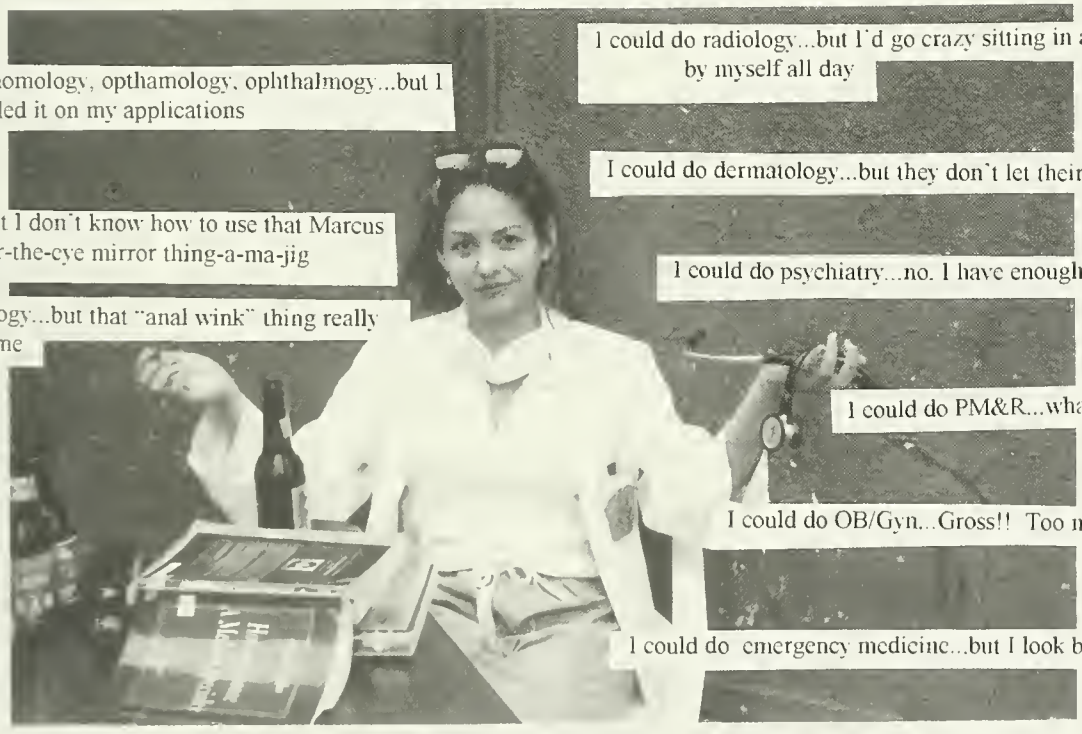
Are you undecided?

I could do orthopedics...no, a mind is a terrible thing to waste

I could do pediatries...I like kids, just not the parents

I could do internal medicine...will, the subspecialties are OK, but I'd have to do IM first. AND learn Spanish

I could do neurosurgery...but I don't have a God complex



I could do radiology...but I'd go crazy sitting in a dark room by myself all day

I could do ophthomology, opthamology, ophthalmogy...but I misspelled it on my applications

I could do dermatology...but they don't let their residents tan

ould do ENT...but I don't know how to use that Marcus Welby over-the-eye mirror thing-a-ma-jig

I could do psychiatry...no. I have enough problems of my own

I could do neurology...but that "anal wink" thing really bothers me

I could do PM&R...what do they do anyway?

I could do OB/Gyn...Gross!! Too many body fluids!

I could do emergency medicine...but I look bad in scrubs

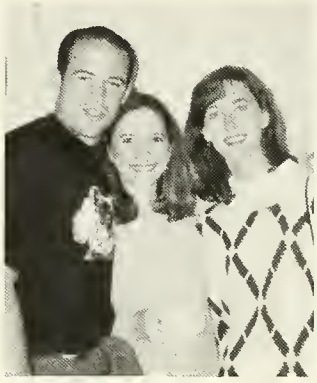
I could do pathology ..at least I couldn't kill anybody

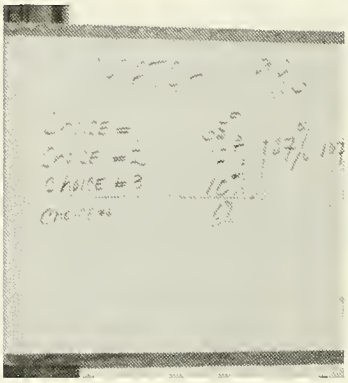
I could do anesthesia...but I'd have to work with surgeons

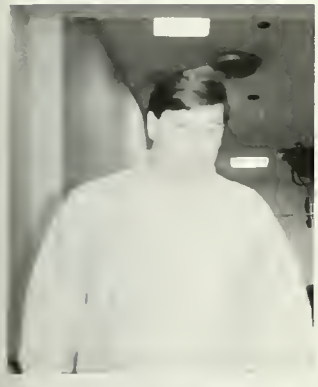
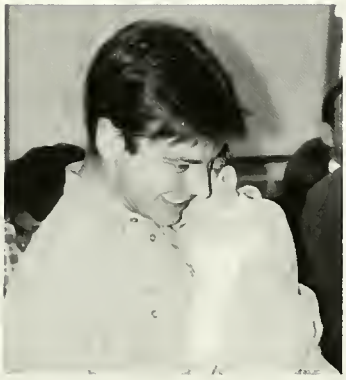
I could do family practice...I don't want to move to the boonies

I could do surgery...but I'd have to work with surgeons

Match Day 1996





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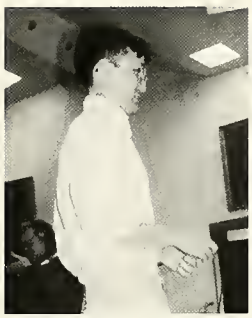

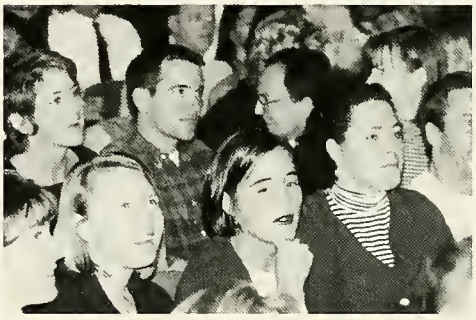

And We Thought We'd Never Make It!

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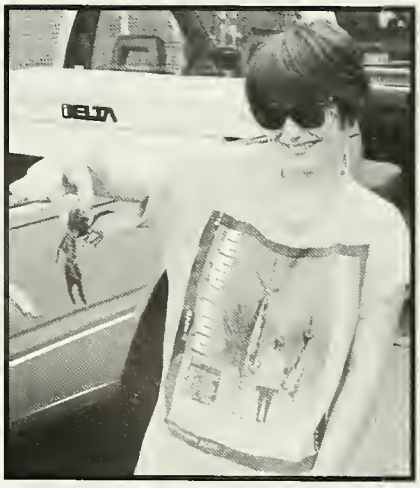
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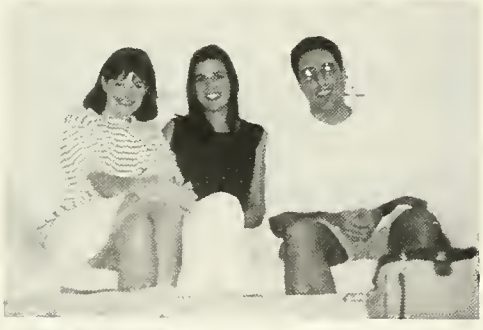

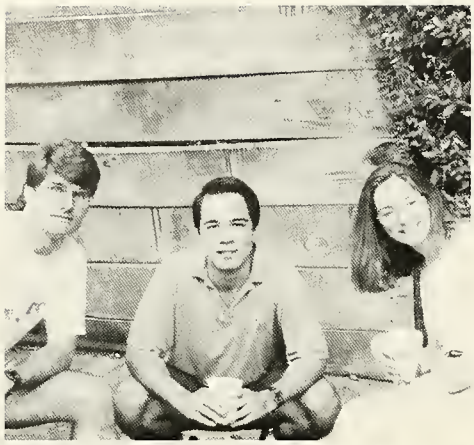

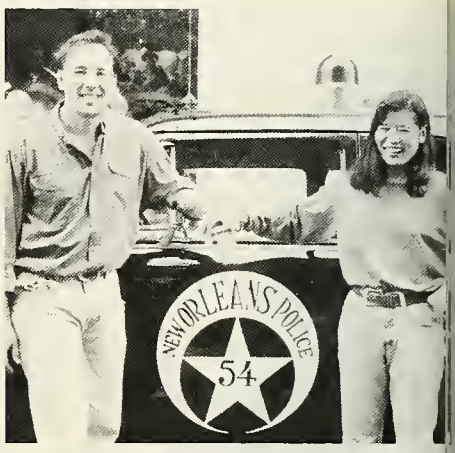
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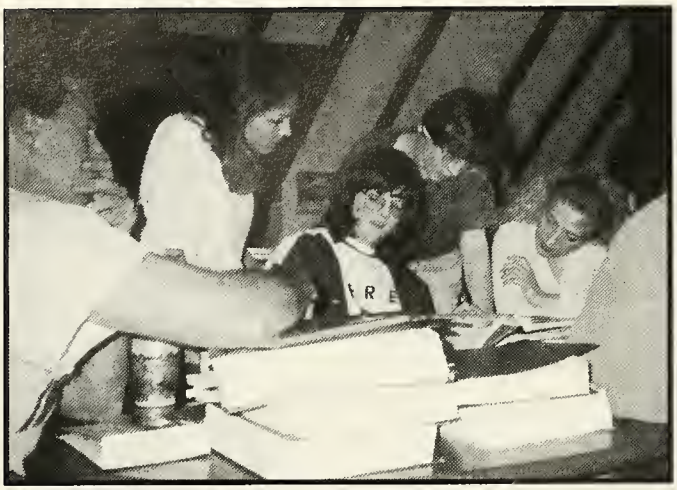

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Against insurmountable odds, undaunted b adversity, this hardy crew slaved for many moon to bring you this record of our sojour at Tulane. There are not words to adequate sum up their efforts, there are not words to adequately thank them. The editors would like to show a token of their appreciation by paying off their loans, but - alas - after the trouble the previous year's book caused, the dean wouldn't let us have the dough. Pleas let them know how much *you* appreciate their work.

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You must do the thing you think you cannot do. --Eleanor Roosevelt

We hope this book serves as a summary, providing closure and reminders, of the four most challenging years our education to date. Producing it was a lot like giving birth, but hopefully the results will be treasured just as uch. We are grateful for the assistance given by Douglas Patton, Floyd Cheung, Neil Brown, Missy and Bill from stens, and everyone at Academic Publishing, Inc. We especially would like to acknowledge the committee mem-ers who gave 110%, going beyond the call: Stacey, Lorrie, Mattie, and Sheri.

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We are all very proud of you!!
Dad, Ma, Kurt, Arlyn, Lindsy, Bryan, Mike, Carmel, ?, Rob, Deanna, Ethel.

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You traveled around the world to find your future and now you've found it. We're very proud of you and wish you much success and happiness. (And we hope this is it!)
--Lenore & Victor Behar

Thomas W. Bender, III
Congratulations! Your hard work and determination is finally paying off. You will soon be able to fulfill your longtime dream of helping others as a physician. We are very proud of you.
Love, MOM, DAD, & ANDREW

Michael Bober
You have achieved your dream. Like Frost you have chosen the road less traveled. That made the difference. I am proud.
--Marvin Bober

Mike, my son, my friend, you took the road less traveled. At long last your journey begins. May you do great and wonderful things. Wishing you the best along the way.
--Proud Mom

Roll the bones!!!
--Robert Bober

Wesley W. Bryan
Wesley: We are proud of your accomplishments. Know you will be an excellent physician. We love you and we pray God's blessings upon you.
Love, Mama & Daddy

Aaron J. Charles
Our pride and joy are boundless. Congratulations **Aaron and Debra!**
Love, Mom and Dad

James Matthew Debnam
Congratulations on your achievement! May you have fair skies and smooth sailing. Bon Voyage!
--Mom and Dad

Nestor & Myrtle Delgado
Nestor & Myrtle: Veni, vidi, vici! We are proud of you! Congratulations!
Papi, Mami, & Family

Gary Paul Dupuy
Best Wishes --the Dupuy Family

Great job! With love,
Mom & Ron

Congratulations **Gary**, and best wishes from your brother Frank, also Kim, and Cameron.

Keep up the good work!
--Donald

Mark Eikenberry
Mark, your accomplishments are only exceeded by your zest for life, and that's the way it should be. Keep up the good work! Love, Mom and Dad

Congratulations, **Mark**!
I envy your drive and intellect.
Love, Jen

Jennifer Evans
Congratulations! Now we know why you made us exchange that nurse's bag for the doctor's bag when you were six. Good luck!
Love, Mom & Dad.

Frank J. Fischer, III
Congratulations Class of 1996!
Good luck and Godspeed.
And to "son **Frank**" --
you have earned your own place in a proud legacy:
our third **Frank J. Fischer, MD**

Frank, our brother, a doctor??
We are so-o very proud of you!!
Keep 'em alive,
Kaki and Mardy

Congratulations **Frank Fischer**, Godson and fellow Tulane grad.
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Burr Ilgenfritz, MD

Marc Futernick
To **Marc Futernick**
With our admiration,
respect, and love!
Mom & Dad, Christy,
Cathie & Hubie,
Frank & Karen, Lee & Nicole,
Jeff & Joanie

Page Bynum Griffin
Congratulations, **Page**
Your family is proud of you.
Love, Mom, Dad,
Gerald, Alice, Tae

Suzanne Hart Jarlsjo
TUTTI,
Roses are red, Violets are blue,
The job was tough, and we are proud of you!
--Mom & Dad

Jason Jones
To Jason with all our love.
We wish for you a future bright with promise and excitement.
Please know how proud we are of the man and doctor you have become.
--Mom and Dad

Eric William Klein
We are very proud of your accomplishments. Good luck with your future in medicine.
--Mom and Dad

Mark Knower
Paging **Dr. Knower!**
Someone proud, happy, & in love has a congrats hug for you!
Love, Mrs. Dr. Knower

We salute you, **Dr. Mark Knower**, for this tremendous achievement!
Grandma & Grandpa Sciara

Congrats, **Dr. Mark Knower**:
"Our #1 inspiration"
Love, your sisters Amy & Bridgette

Congratulations, **Dr. Mark Knower**, from Mr. & Mrs. Thomas "My son is a doctor" Knower

Robyn Theresa Kramer
The **Robyn** that came in spring; tra, la
Was such a glorious thing,
Now she is a doctor; tra, la,
And that's a wonderful thing.
Love and Best Wishes
-- Mom and Dad

Congratulations, **Robyn Kramer**, on finishing three things at once: the T-Wave, the state of "singleness," and Med School. Love, Judy & Robert, Atlanta

Congratulations, **Robyn**, on your success in medicine! May God continue to bless you with a fine practice.
--Berthold R. Kramer

Way to go **Ro!**
Love, Bro

Diane M. Lovell
Congratulations **Dr. Lovell**,
Your dream has come true!
We wish you happiness and success! Love and hugs,
Mom and Dad

D. Patrick Martin
Congratulations **Patrick**,
Your family & friends are so proud of you! As a young doctor we know you are on the threshold of great accomplishments & service to all mankind.
Love, Dad & Mom

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We're so proud of you, **Dr. Chris!** We love you lots!
--Dad, Mom, Lisa, Mair, Henry, Neil, and David.

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Robert: I remember you as a child always wanting to be a doctor. Now your efforts are becoming a reality.
Congratulations, God bless you.
--Mom

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Our loving congratulations for your achievement! We are so proud of you!
Love, Mom & Dad

William Leslie Purnell
Congratulations **Will Purnell**
--Mom

To **Will Purnell**, you did it!
--Karen

Congrats & Best Wishes **WP!**
--MM

Stacey Robinson
Parents, family, and friends of **Dr. Stacey Robinson** congratulate a remarkable woman on her extraordinary achievements.
Grandpa would be most proud.

Kenneth Sands
Your hard work and determination has paid off. We are very proud of you.
Congratulations to our new "**Dr. Sands.**"
Love, Mom & Dad

Luanne Schocket
Congratulations and love from your family.

Arthur L. Schoenstadt
Congrats **Art** with love
--Mom & Dad

Uncle **Art** -- send money!
--John & Michele Wetherbie

Glenn Patrick Shields
Congratulations and best wishes. We love you and are very proud of you.
John, Nancy, Jon & Tina

Stephanie Yvonne Talton
To **Stephanie**, Congratulations and much success! From Parents Mickey and Sue Talton, and Sisters Sonya and Niaja.

Jena Stephanie VandenBerg
May all your days be Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays,
We are proud of you,
Mom, Bruce, and
Chester the Pony

John Darrell Waldron
God bless you, my son, the doctor!
--Your proud Mom

Hope you can write with both hands!
--Your step-pharmacist, Ted

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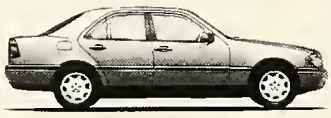

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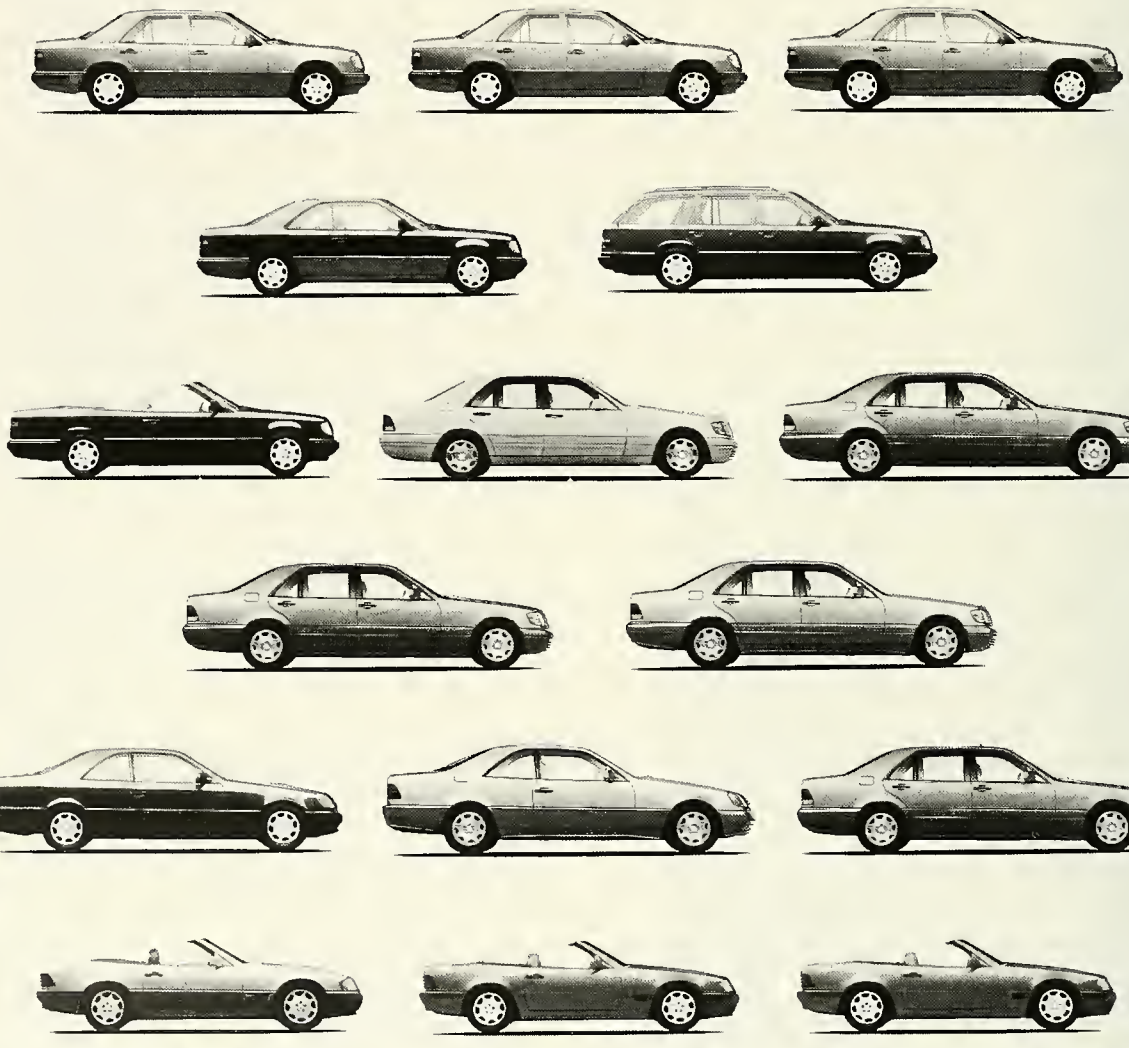

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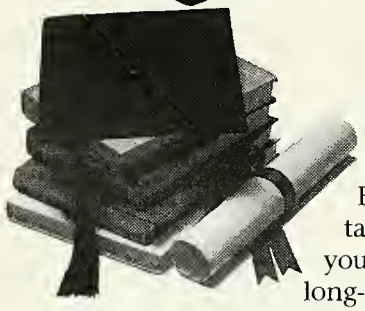

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ICM BY NEIL "THE WALT OF ICM" BROWN

"The H&P"

... Announcements: Dr. Szerlip is quite interested in our assessment of Biostats and Epi. Go to his office and bend his ear. Rumor has it that he likes to discuss his plan for a "Bring Back Bush" lecture series; ask him about it.
... Today's lecture is a virtual carbon copy of the handout and as such I am only going to include the material which was not contained in the handout. This will save paper, which will save trees, which will stop deforestation and erosion, and in effect halt the greenhouse effect and save mankind. I feel good!
... Also, Dr. Szerlip reiterated that the job of obtaining a comprehensive history is that of the doctor, and excuses that the patient is difficult or a poor historian are weaker than a warm glass of Sharp's. Weak.
...As for the reliability of the history, it is important to know who gave the information. Was he comatose and a relative provided information? Does the patient have Fudgesicle intelligence...
...Dr. Szerlip likes to tell a story in transcribing the HPI. He gives an example in the handout, and although John Grisham probably needn't worry, it does contain all the relevant data.
... At this point Dr. Szerlip told a Reagan joke. Retaliation is in the works.
... Habits: Ask everyone, regardless of how silly it seems. Grandma may do bong rips for breakfast.

"All You Ever Wanted to Know About ENT - But Were Afraid You Wouldn't Understand"

... Announcements: Next weeks ENT breakout groups are postponed until further notice (shucks). Also, Dr. Szerlip reiterated that these lectures are not truly reproducible by noteset, and he won't curve his tests, so it would behoove slackers to come to class. Otherwise you might honor Path and Micro but fail ICM and, ham sandwich in hand, become a two-time T2.
... Want to prove that you're a gunner's gunner but don't know how? If so, ENT is the surgical subspecialty for you... Dr. Amedee mentioned for all of you non-Waltian mere mortals out there that you don't have to be AOA "but it helps" (It's also not necessary to have won the Nobel Prize for a drug which turns peanut butter into functioning cranial tissue, "but it helps").
... Today Dr. Amedee did a complete head and neck exam with an otoscope, and then followed this with an exam using telescopes which broadcast live over our multimedia system (who knew it worked?). Robyn Kramer volunteered her ears, nose, and throat to be probed, picked , and palpated. Obviously, the written word is incapable of conveying the wonders of Robyn's sinuses, so tomorrow stop her in the hall and look for yourself.
... Often times, the questions you ask will pinpoint the problem. For example, if a patient comes in with some bilateral hearing loss, what are some possible questions for the patient?

1. Do you work construction, build ships for Avondale, etc.
2. Do you listen to Ted Nugent at high volume on your walkman all day?
3. Do you drive a 6.6L 1978 Trans-Am with oversized pistons, headers, and dual exhausts which can be heard 10 miles away? (sigh)

... After examining for sun-induced cancer, check for any signs of external deformity. For example if a Big Ten football player comes to you complaining of problems breathing through his nose, and his nose is under his left eye, you can assume that the external trauma has caused internal damage. (Talk slow to the guy; Big Ten athletes are kind of slow.)
... The internal exam requires the use of the dreaded hair puller, the nasal speculum... The midline of the nose contains bones and nerves, and attempts to distend it will bring a call from Morris Bart (one call of course)... when removing the speculum, DO NOT CLOSE IT WHILE IT IS STILL INSERTED. This will rip out nose hairs, and while watching your patient hop around the room in anguish might be morbidly entertaining, it is considered to be bad technique.
... Finally, observe the tongue. Some people have a normal condition called Geographic Tongue, which causes the tongue to look like a map of Africa or Sweden (Rumor has it that Patrick Shields has a map of the French Quarter on his tongue).
... Then came the first amphibious oral sex joke in recorded history. People with severe rhinitis might say they have a frog in their throats, "as might Miss Piggy", to describe post-nasal drip (politically correct Nazi headhunters trying to fight for the rights of amphibians - harass Dr. Amedee - I just work here).
... Dr. Amedee asked, "What structures drain into the posterior triangle?" The ghost of Dr. Ayettey hung in the

air, and I could have sworn I heard him softly snapping off 437 structures known only to the shadow. Raziano ran out of the room screaming - but I digress.
... A few extra notes: Jackie's baby is ludicrously cute, and not too scary. Check him out. If you lie down in the middle of traffic and die, don't blame a movie. Future parents; Beavus and Butthead don't burn down homes. Five year-olds left home with their two year-old siblings at nine o'clock at night while mom plays do. Read Yeats "The Second Coming". Is it prophetic? Learn to type. What happened to The New Kids? The Illini are looking stronger, which is always good news. Good luck on the Path test - give 'em hell.
... Just one more thing. For years, the worst song in history was considered to be Taco's "Putting on the Ritz." It was so bad it... it transcended badness. I thought its reign could never be touched, as it sustained challenges such as "Ice, Ice Baby" (a strong challenge, to be sure), anything by Yoko Ono (nice shades, Yoko), "Get Out of My Dreams, Get In to My Car" by Billy Ocean (inhumanly annoying), and more recently "My Sister" and "All That She Wants is Another Baby", two songs which make you want to rip your car stereo out of the dash and toss it into the Miss. river. But still Taco stood alone. Until now. A song is out there so bad that it threatens to rip the fabric of Western Civilization apart single-handedly. That song is "The Snoop Doggy Dogg" song. Every time I hear it I go into shock that it ever made it to a recording studio, let alone radio or MTV. AND PEOPLE REQUEST IT!!!! UNBELIEVABLE!!!! Move over Taco, there's a new king in town. P.S. "Eat Me, I'm a Danish" sung to "Rock Me, Amadeus" is pretty damn bad too.

"'I Discovered Spirometry!' says Dr. Gallo
aka. A Frolicking Narrative on the History of the Spirometer"

... In the 1970's, people abandoned the water-sealed spirometer. Ugly clothes were the new rage, force was frowned upon by the hordes of granola mutants masquerading as American citizens, Dr. Gallo was in the Village People, and spirometry was entering the computer age.
... Ironically, the accepted normal values for years were established after WWII veterans in V.A. hospitals were tested to find normal lung volumes. The flaw here is that a) these guys smoked like Mike Jackson's hair after a Pepsi commercial and b) there weren't exactly a lot of women at the V.A.
... The six best medically related songs:
1. Anesthesia - Pulling Teeth by Metallica
2. Crash Course in Brain Surgery by The Misfits
3. Spreading the Disease by Anthrax
4. Postmortem/Raining Blood by Slayer
5. Rock and Roll Doctor by Black Sabbath
6. Why Does It hurt When I Pee (?) by Frank Zappa

...A note to Californians and others: Illinois has no cows, and therefore the risk of certain infections via viruses is small. Not to mention the fact that most people in Illinois are too busy either freezing to death or watching the corn grow to actually go out and tip over a cow. California, on the other hand, is warm, and they don't have any corn...
... Quote of the day - "Just wait and see how much medicine costs when it's free." -unknown pundit (Pundit - now there's a job)
... Pathology has informed us that in addition to slides and 2x2's, we will all also be given a cadaver and will be required to state a) why the cadaver died b) the pathology of every abnormal cell in the body c) his/her favorite color and d) the type of handgun they carried (Everyone here carries heat). Should we get all this right, they'll think of some other way to win the ICEPICK THROUGH THE FOREHEAD AWARD. Perhaps we'll have to bring them back to life.
... Folks, the comma is a weapon. We're going to have a little test to assess comma function. Guess the correct usage:

1. If you eat the cafeteria food, you will die.
2. If you eat the cafeteria food you will die.
3. If you eat the cafeteria food,,,,, you, will die.

If you guessed 1, congratulations. If you guessed 2, well, I hope that English is not your mother tongue. If you guessed 3, then you sound way too much like Captain James T. Kirk.

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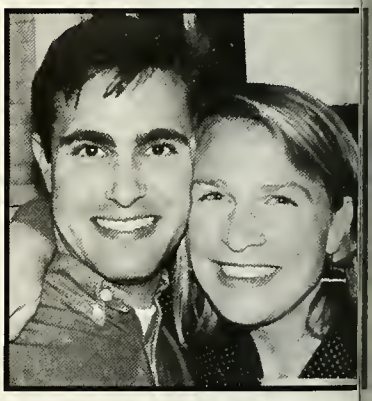

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MORE ICM BY NEIL

"The Intrinsic Evil of Diagnostic Tests"

... Announcements: This is just a personal prediction, and I don't mean to send anyone running scared into the night, but after today's lecture and subsequent Q and A about the test, I have a feeling Master Chef Szerlip has a big ole foot-long ham sandwich waiting for us. I'll include more detail at the end, but he said that no one in last year's class broke a 60. He expects better this year. This attitude reminds me of a sticker seen in NYC: "Jesus is coming and boy is he pissed."
...Dr. Szerlip gave us his rules of test administration, which he says are worth every dollar we pay for tuition. That being true, I personally would like to trade this list in for a Ferrari 512TR and a case of beer, but I doubt the car dealer would go for it.
... Szerlip swears that lipase is the better test, but Mike Woll, carrying Cecil's Diagnostic Manual (actually, I forgot the name of the book, but it was big and looked pretty official and I hope I never own it) found that amylase is considered to be the gold standard for pancreatitis. Dr. Szerlip was unwilling to accept that he could be wrong and claimed the text was in error. You make the call.

"Childhood Mental Disorders or Why Your Kid Acts Like Gene Simmons on Crack"

...There is one final disorder, called Foot-in-the-Mouth disorder. Kent Turner manifested symptoms while at Vanderbilt University recently. After we crashed in to the house of 4 VU students whom we didn't know around 3:00 a.m., messed up their place, and used their stuff, we left. Somehow or other we returned, quasi-pickled. Twelve or so VU students were there, attempting to have a good time. After talking to them for about 30 minutes or so, Kent manifested symptoms of FITM after assessing their party efforts. "Do you guys have a dorky class or what," Kent asked while slurping a cold one. Stunned silence followed. I, having been known to injest not only the foot but also the leg, knee, and upper thigh, recognized the acute onset of FITM disease, of which there is no cure. Kent, of course, tried to explain himself, which is another symptom of the disease. Shovel in hand, Kent began to dig his own grave by listing a few students he knew who could be considered "dorky" by DSM-IIIR standards. This, of course, made things worse. Kent, reeling from the nausea and hyperemia that accompanies FITM disease, wisely shut up and pounded four beers. This, of course, is the only know treatment.

"Taking a Sexual History, or How Does One Ask, 'Do You Fist?'"

... Kudos and salutations to Tom Clark, Peggy, Aaron, Kisa, Charles Lee, Page, Steve Ryan, Chris W., Don, and the omnipresent Mike Woll for showing up to today's lecture. To those pathetic individuals who feel that ICM lectures are not worth their precious time, well, you made the right call. This lecture provides very little in the way of scintillating new data. This is probably good because the tape recording sounds like a forty-five minute absence seizure, combined with a little word salad.
... In this day and age of AIDS, rampant gonorrhea, syphilis, and You! MTV RAPS, it is more important to take a thorough, complete (note: I realize that "thorough" and "complete" back to back is somewhat redundant. However, here I am stressing the importance of a sexual history using the ancient literary technique known as "literary elephantiasis", which is where a writer is redundant because he thinks it makes him sound more profound.) sexual history than ever before. However, as we all know, it can be difficult to ask intimate questions about a stranger's sexual past, unless, of course, you take the short course entitled "Dr. Benjamin's Three Minute Guide on How to Offend a Room Full of People."
... Screaming "WHAT DID YOU DO WITH THAT HIPPOPOTAMUS?!!!! is considered a bad approach.
... Grandpa shouldn't be asked what happened to his pet gerbil."
... Top 10 Ways to Know You're Losing Your Hair

10) NASA blames glare from your skull as reason that the Hubble space telescope is incapacitated.
9) Flopping those hairs from the base of your neck over your head starts to look insidiously attractive ("Hey, not bad!")
8) Every head of hair in the world, from Letterman to Ronald MacDonald, starts to look good, with the sole exception being Scott Benjamin's hair.
7) Hair club jokes aren't nearly as funny as they once were.
6) Old bald men give you that knowing look.
5) Wearing baseball caps becomes compulsive. ("What do you mean I can't wear it to the wedding?")
4) Realizing that you'll never have a good hair day again for the rest of your life.
3) Almost uncontrollable urge to replace everyone else's shampoo with Nair. ("That'll show 'em!")
2) Suddenly finding yourself believing that old lie that "women like bald men". Har-dee-har-har.

1) Tell someone in a bar that you're not bald but undergoing chemotherapy.

..Lie of the year, maybe of the Millennium - "You won't have to know specifics for the genetics test. We only vant you to understand the general characteristics of genetic diseases. You'll have to look this stuff up should nyone present it to you anyway." Bend over and come to daddy.

PATHOLOGY

"Developmental Pathology I: Born to be Bad" by Pete Clark

. Back behind the keyboard again. Welcome to Path-ology, the study of the path, down which we inspired ilgrims wander. Lecture began today with Dr. Robicheaux blasting reveille from his trumpet, an appropriate start o Monday morning. Our classmates who attended military summer camp twitched in their seats, with Mike Woll ractically convulsing. Truly Pavlovian.

"Skin Wars - Dermopathology, Part I - The Early Years Lecture" by Walt

. *Epilogue* : The total student count at the beginning of lecture was slightly more than... five. Needless to say,)r. Marrogi noticed and was not pleased about his lack of popularity. Dr. "Darth Vader" Marrogi, forbid that I ape his lecture and insisted that all we would need was his detailed handout of 17 pages (condensed down from is 33 page handout of last year!). Of course, he did not have the handout with him at the time of the lecture, but assured" us it would be forthcoming, and he proceeded to lecture (without the microphone) at light speed, ombarding the pitiful patrol of T-2's present with a barrage of kodachromes from his armory of "laser-blaster" lide projectors with no less than five carousels. Devastated at the end of the two hour assault, the wounded were athered from among the casualties. When humble Jedi Walt Liebkemann later requested the aforementioned utline, he was "accosted" and defeated in battle by Dr. "Darth Vader" Marrogi. Apparently, "Vader" had decided iat we, the class, were not to be rewarded with the prized handout and would be left to flounder, wither, and rot i the desert of our own ignorance and insubordination. Take heart, ye warriors of pathology, for there was one 'ho dared to oppose and conquer the awful antagonist. A young highlander launched off on a solo mission etermined to obtain the vital document, contained deep within the chambers of "Vader's" Death Star, which held ie secret and crucial information needed by the alliance of T-2 pathology warriors in preparation for the ievitable, terrible battle of the 6th floor "hill". Through his wiles, the young highlander eluded his fearful foe, onquered the forces of darkness, and obtained the mystic manuscript, escaping barely with his life and sanity itact. So... here it is. This is the information contained within the coveted handout. Learn it well for it may save our life young Jedi, or grade as the case may be. As of yet the evil foe, Dr. "Darth Vader" Marrogi does not now that his prized possession has been disturbed and decoded. His attack plan remains based on this nowledge. If you don't tell, I won't. Put your mind at rest, no honor code was violated in this mission. The onorable highlander proceeded under the direct supervision and scrutiny of the mystical path. Prof. Robi-"Une"-ajun-Obi. A most gracious "thank you" to him.

"Dermopathology II: The Skin-pire Strikes Back" by Walt

With numbers severely depleted due to the upcoming battle in Micro, the brave remnants of the Student lliance fight on. Enraged by a weak showing of the Alliance, the Empire unveils its new secret weapon - the rrible DEATH SLIDE (practical). In a single shot, it can destroy a whole semester's worth of diligence. lthough the secret plan of the Empire's current strategy (i.e. handout) has been promised, it has not arrived. The filtration and decoding of garbled Empire transmissions has resulted in this briefing report. Use it well, young :di.

Dr. Marrogi, like Obi-Wan Kenobi, was unable to complete our training in skin pathology in time. He called on a wizened, older Jedi master (Dr. Schor) to teach us the rest in a remote setting on the second floor. Last :ar's handout for skin pathology was 33 pages long and contained all of the critical information. Dr. Marrogi 'omised it before Thanksgiving, but I have yet to see it. When I asked him about it, I got chewed out and :cused of not attending lecture. Even after 17 hours of work on this noteset, let me stress that the handout will obably be much more accurate and complete. After reading this noteset, you are undoubtedly experiencing ger, fear, and hatred. Beware. These are the tools of the dark side. Besides, some lectures are just impossible resurrect.

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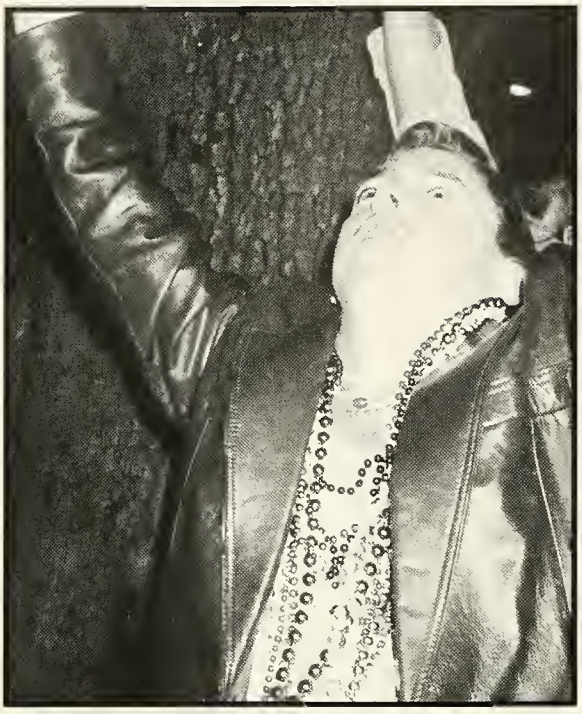

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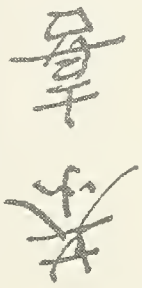

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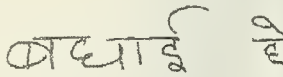

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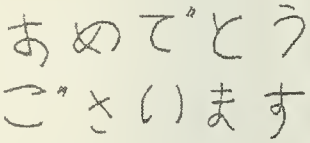

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There was a young man in Boston town,
He bought him a *stethescope* nice and new,
All mounted and finished and polished down,
With an ivory cap and a stopper too.

It happened a spider within did crawl,
And spun him a web of ample size,
Wherein there chanced one day to fall
A couple of very imprudent flies.

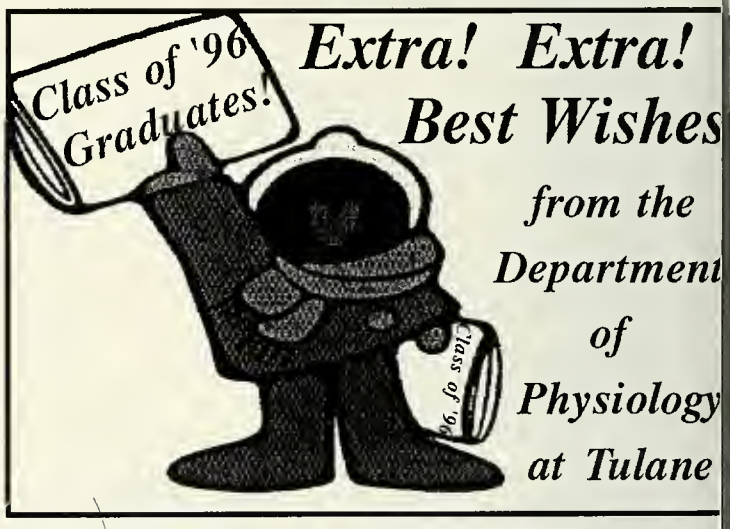
Now being from Paris but recently,
This fine young man would show his skill;
And so they gave him, his hand to try,
A hospital patient extremely ill.

Then out his stethescope he took,
And on it placed his curious ear;
Mon Dieu! said he, with a knowing look,
Why, here is a sound that's mighty queer!

There's *empyema* beyond a doubt;
We'll plunge a *trocar* in his side.
The diagnosis was made out,--
They tapped the patient; so he died.

Then six young damsels, slight and frail,
Received this kind young doctor's cares;
They all were getting slim and pale,
And short of breath on mounting stairs.

They all made rhymes with "sighs" and "skies,"
And loathed their puddings and buttered rolls,
And dieted, much to their friends' surprise,
On pickles and pencils and chalk and coals.



So fast their little hearts did bound,
That frightened insects buzzed the more;
So over all their chests he found
The *rale sifflant* and the *rale sonore.*

He shook his head. There's grave disease,--
I greatly fear you all must die;
A slight *post-mortem,* if you please,
Surviving friends would gratify.

The six young damsels wept aloud,
Which so prevailed on six young men
That each his honest love avowed,
Whereat they all got well again.

This poor young man was all aghast;
The price of stethescopes came down;
And so he was reduced at last
To practice in a country town.

Now use your ears, all that you can,
But don't forget to mind your eyes.
Or you may be cheated, like this young ma
By a couple of silly, abnormal flies.

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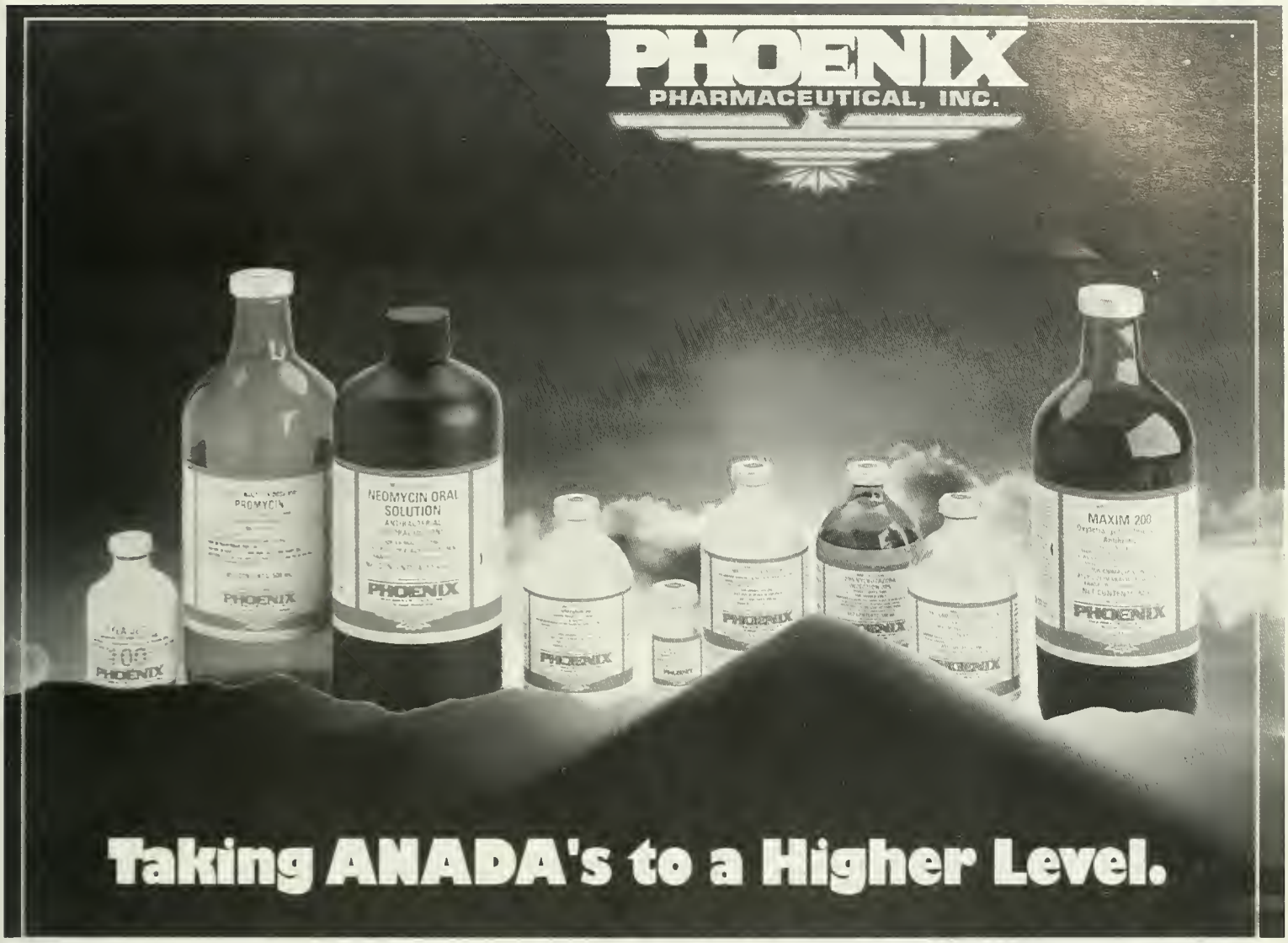

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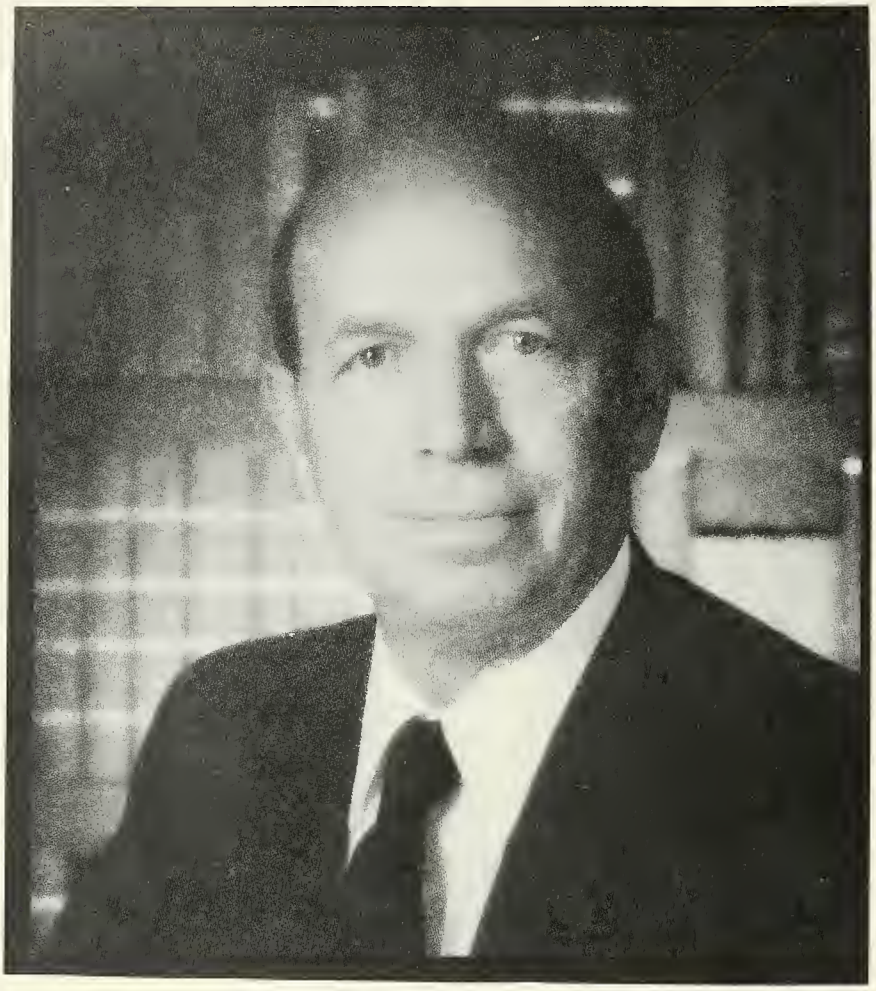

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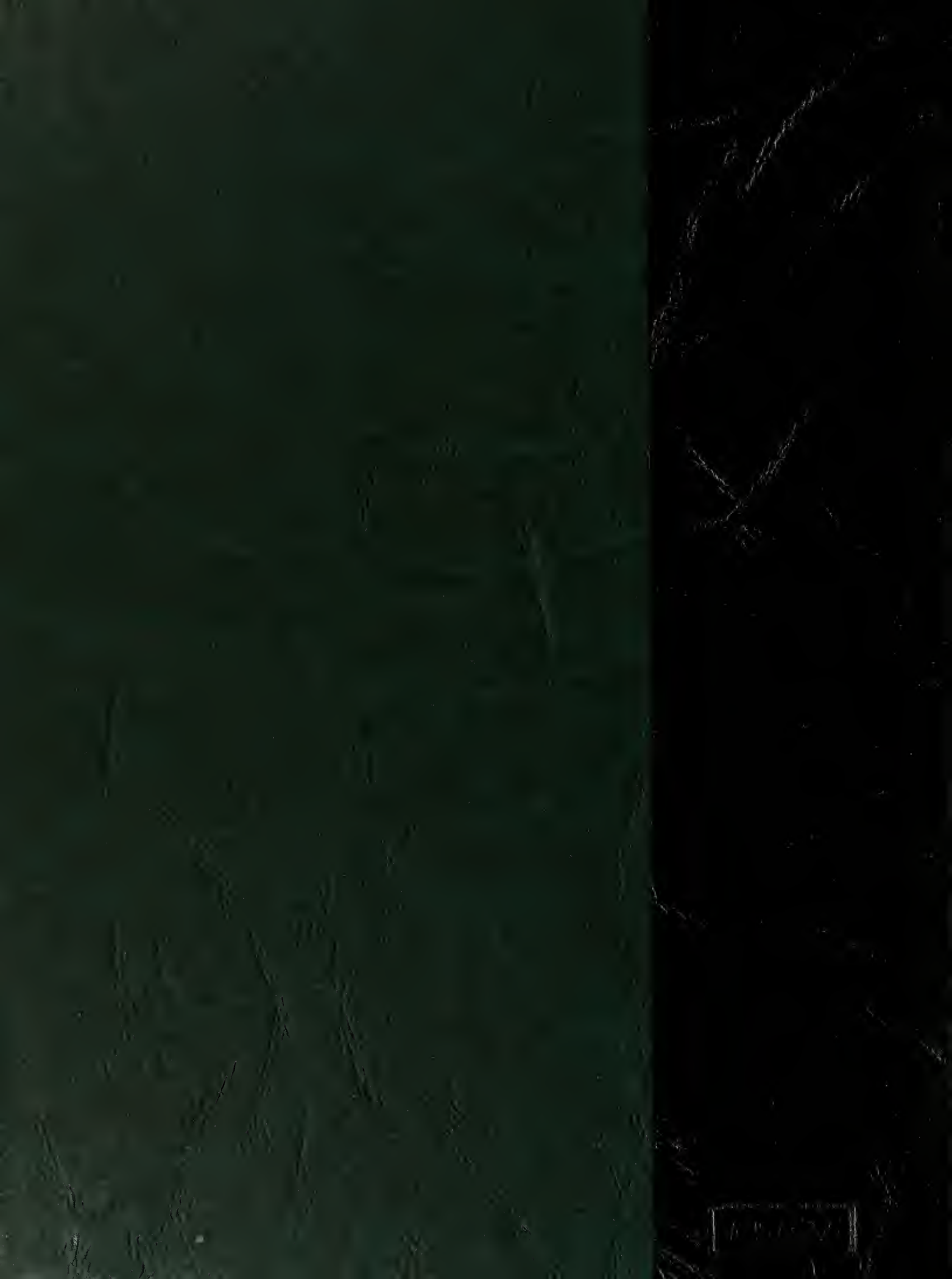
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